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► Rick Hansen shows off his new white cowboy hat Thursday during an event that unveiled him as the figurehead for this year's Calgary Stampede.

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Why vote, Calgary?

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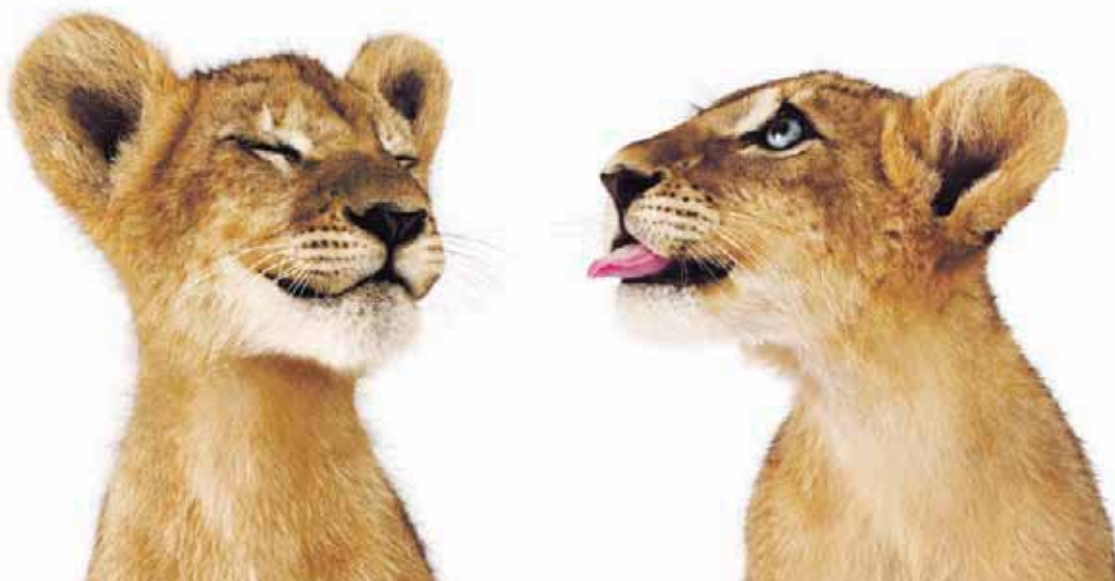
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Cavalía. Canada Olympic Park



► A massive show tent is set up at Canada Olympic Park Thursday.

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Equestrian spectacular under the big top

One of the co-founders of the Cirque du Soleil, Normand Latourelle, has created a multimedia production called Cavalía: A Magical Encounter Between Human and Horse, which will premiere on May 25 under the largest touring tent in the world. Known as the White Big Top, the 10-storey tent was erected Thursday at Canada Olympic Park.

It's gotten ugly in there

- Heated legislature debate hits rock bottom as Swann takes aim at Stelmach where it hurts
- Speaker blasts politicians for schoolyard language in place meant to set bar on public discourse

It's not often the head of Alberta's Loyal Opposition challenges the manhood of Alberta's 13th premier.

But Wednesday, when Liberal Leader David Swann told Ed Stelmach to "find the balls" to call an inquiry into health-care problems, a long-running, fractious debate dropped

the final few feet from unparliamentary to full-on foul-mouthed.

It has become the lexical substructure of a spring legislature sitting that has seen politicians lob everything short of F-bombs across the green-carpeted aisle that divides the parties in the chamber.

"I've certainly been getting a lot of comments from people about the performance of certain members in this house, none of which have been very flattering." SPEAKER KEN KOWALSKI

They've called each other liars, bullies, jokes, tattletales and chickens.

Speaker Ken Kowalski

threatened to shut down question period earlier this month because of abusive and improper lan-

guage.

Swann said Thursday he regrets the comments.

"With children in the audience, I would prefer not to be going there," he said. "I've gotten to the point of breaking at this point (trying to get the inquiry) and it's starting to show." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Deceased confirmed a homicide

RCMP have confirmed that 26-year-old Orphee Landa was the victim of a homicide.

Landa's nude body was found in a ditch southwest of Calgary near 242 Avenue and Secondary highway 552 on

April 22.

Cause of death isn't being released at this time. RCMP have since spoken to a man who was last seen with the victim. No charges have been laid.

Police are looking for a green 2000 Chevy Impala with tinted windows and black rims.

Okotoks RCMP are asking for information on the activities of the deceased before he was found. Anyone with information can call 403-938-4202. ● METRO

School survival left to parents, volunteers

- ▶ Parents say CBE sets school up for failure when facing possible closure
- ▶ Mayland Heights actively targeting out-of-area students to up enrolment



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Local schools facing an uphill battle to stay open aren't receiving any help from the Calgary Board of Education — quite the opposite in fact, say parents.

Earlier this month, the CBE board of trustees voted to save the 55-student English program at Mayland Heights school on the condition they boost enrolment.

A source familiar with closure situations indicated this was the first closure vote in favour of a school in a decade.

Now, parents within the school say they feel abandoned in their recruitment efforts.

"The unfortunate thing is it's up to volunteers to get the school more active, to help the school to survive," said Christine Ordze, who works on the Mayland Heights parent council and has three children attending the school.

Making the task even more difficult is the "dark



▶ Christine Ordze stands with one of eight signs purchased by the parent council at Mayland Heights in hopes of drawing out-of-area students. They have also leased a large display sign that hovers over Barlow Trail near Centre Avenue.

cloud" of possible closure that has been hovering over the school since November, Ordze said.

"When people call the school about enrolling ... they are told they had better have a Plan B," Ordze said.

CBE spokesperson

Joanne Ramondt said no effort is made to dissuade parents from registering their children at schools facing closure, but said all recruitment initiatives are dealt with at the school level.

Judy Van Horne, parent council chair at soon-to-be

closed Montgomery school, wonders if parents really can save a school.

"If the CEOP (the CBE's community engagement and operational planning department) has a plan, that's what they're going to do," she said. "It's frustrating."

Workers killed on job remembered

Labour groups across the Prairies gathered in marches or at ceremonies Thursday as part of a National Day of Mourning to remember workers killed or injured on the job.

Some also took the chance to criticize provincial efforts on workplace safety and to press for more action to protect employees.

The Alberta Federation of Labour said the provin-

25% President Gil McGowan said government figures show the number of Alberta workers killed on the job jumped by almost 25 per cent last year — to 136 deaths from 110 the previous year.

cial government has ignored warnings to improve worksites. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Young hero honoured

Nine-year-old Joshua Perez was honoured by the Calgary police for being a SuperKid, after the heroic actions he took to help save his older brother March 4. Perez called 911 after his brother collapsed and had trouble breathing.

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CUPE prez in town

CUPE national president Paul Moist will be in Calgary today to help address issues of local privatization of city services and to talk about pension reform at the Alberta Federation of Labour convention. There will be a picnic at noon. ● METRO

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Hansen ready to rock it

► **Calgary Stampede parade set for July 8** ► **City representatives who have made an 'amazing difference' will join him for event, says Hansen**



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Rick Hansen is known best for his accomplishments in a wheelchair, and he plans to keep the Man in Motion legacy going at the Calgary Stampede.

"If I wheeled around the world, I figure I better get on my chair and wheel the parade route and ask some folks to join me as well," he said.

"I'm really looking forward to it."

Hansen, who will be attending his first Calgary Stampede, said he looks forward to taking in the festivities.

Man in Motion

Rick Hansen has raised more than \$200 million for spinal cord research through his foundation.

► Hansen is encouraging people to apply online to have a shot at participating in the 25th anniversary Man in Motion tour.

► The event will retrace a route similar to Hansen's original journey and he hopes to raise \$250 million.

"What a way to come to the Stampede to be the parade marshal, kick off the celebrations and welcome the world to Calgary."



► Rick Hansen speaks to students at A.E. Cross school Thursday.

Businesses brace for Japan supply shortages

Local businesses relying on exported materials from Japan are watching nervously as the Pacific nation continues to recover from a devastating earthquake and resulting tsunami in early March.

Mike Chartrand, who has owned and operated A Laptop Shoppe in northeast Calgary since 1993, is already noticing small price increases on certain computer components and an-

ticipates the problem will deepen in the months ahead.

"One or two chips in every hardware are made in Japan," he said. "We are also being restricted on what we can buy."

Automobile dealers are also holding their breath.

"I would guess that throughout the summer inventories will shrink, but it depends on sales rates," said Michael Bickert, co-



► A Laptop Shoppe owner Mike Chartrand admits he's a bit worried about rising costs associated with manufacturing difficulties in Japan.

owner at Heninger Toyota.

Abe Brown, Calgary retail manager for Vistek, said photography equipment is also taking a hit. He said most companies maintain a decent supply of common items but specialty orders are becoming hard to fill.

"If you wanted to buy a 600 (millimetre) lens right now, you probably couldn't find it anywhere in North America," he said.

Bickert cautioned busi-

Less production

► **Toyota and other automobile producers** have announced that some factories in Japan are only operating at 50 per cent.

nesses to keep thing in perspective. "They (the Japanese) need to get back on their feet and we need to help in any way we can," he said. ● JEREMY NOLAÏS



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Election day won't see a change in fare

- Revenue hit not feasible, says Calgary Transit
- There are about 90,000 working poor in the city



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Transit users heading to the polls Monday will pay the exact same fare as every other day.

This comes despite a public push by poverty-reduction group Vibrant Communities Calgary to provide free access for all Canadians on election day.

"Here in Calgary, there's up to seven kilometres from an individual's home to the polling station, so we are not talking about just a couple of blocks," said the group's director Dan Meades. "If you are a person suffering from a disability or, frankly, if you are working for minimum wage and need to work two jobs to get by your time is quite limited."

More than 500,000 people use Calgary Transit on an average workday, creating too big a revenue hit if the service was made free,



► Vibrant Communities Calgary director Dan Meades does not believe people should have to pay to attend polling stations on election day.

said spokesperson Theresa Schroder.

"We are supportive of the election and we are trying to encourage people to vote," Schroder added, noting some C-Trains are displaying "Please vote" slogans on their display screens.

Meades made it clear he does not fault Calgary Transit for the free-fare refusal. Instead, he places the blame on faulty federal policy.

"We would like to see a national transit strategy that would help every low-income Canadian," he said.

Recruits. Graduate



► Chief Rick Hanson looks over members of the Calgary Police Service No. 194 yesterday.

JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO

Hard work pays off at graduation

Dozens of recruits capped a long journey yesterday with a Calgary Police Service graduation ceremony held at Mewata Armoury. Among the graduates was a young recruit who has already completed two tours in Afghanistan. Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi was also in attendance for the festivities.

Group gets boost from community

Community support following a devastating theft has left a Calgary group walking on sunshine.

Step Forward, created through the University of Calgary Students' Union, was raising money at Eau Claire Market in early March to send hundreds of

books to a rural school in Anhui, China.

That's when someone walked off with their donation jar in a move organizer Jacqueline Loke described at the time as a "kick in the face."

After reports surfaced of the group's plight, Loke

said she was overwhelmed with support from the community.

Now, Loke and fellow group member Jessica Cheung are planning to visit Anhui in May.

"Everything went unbelievably well," Loke said.

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Federal riding profile: Calgary Southeast

1) Western Block Party: Paul Fromm 62 years old, broadcaster.

2) I was an elected school trustee in Toronto in the 1970s. I have run for Parliament for the old populist Confederation of Regions Party in 1988 and for mayor of Mississauga in 2010.

3) Immigration is the biggest issue. Our country is being radically changed and Canadians have never been consulted. With 7.7 per cent official unemployment, there can be no justification for any immigration at all.

4) The Western Block Party is committed to initiative referendum — putting power back into the hands of the taxpayers. This hope for empowerment, I feel, will draw many people back into the political process.



1) Green party: Brett Spencer, 31 years old, Network Sales Engineering at a national telecommunications company.

2) I have been involved with the Green Party for almost 3 years, and have been studying for a degree in political science.

3) Dismal funding for “smart growth” initiatives such as SE LRT, increased gas tax transfers can help with this. The SE needs a real child care program where families can place children into early childhood learning, allowing mothers to return to work if they wish. Calgary SE needs relief from the tax burden on middle class families through a true income splitting plan.

4) Social media plays a large part such as a website, Twitter and Facebook. But also the Green Party is the first major party to have an iPhone app and even our signs have QR codes that can be scanned with smart phones.



1) Liberal: Brian N. MacPhee, 42 years young, occupation Delivery Driver for a small Calgary based vending company.

2) 1990-91 Students' Association President Red Deer College, 1992-93 vice-president Okanagan University College Students' Association, Kelowna B.C. Currently I am the policy chair of the Calgary Southeast Liberal Riding Association.

3) I have had conversations across the board from the economy, environment, taxes, education, health care, pensions, crime just to name a few. It's about whose vision the voters trust in dealing with these issues.

4) Whether I am talking to youth, seniors or middle class families the Liberal platform addresses concerns of all these groups, so I keep plugging away with getting the message out.



1) NDP: Kirk Oates, 48 years old, Labour relations adviser.

2) I was a municipal councillor of Bon Accord (40 kilometres north of Edmonton) from 2004 to 2007. I was also executive member of the Northern Lights Library System.

3) I believe one of the biggest issues is infrastructure funding. I also think in the Southeast Calgarians are concerned by the lack of presence of our representation. The absence of the current MP in the riding is causing a lot of concern.

4) Just talking to my neighbours and friends and using Facebook. I am hoping to draw on Jack's momentum. This is the fourth election with Jack as leader and I think his pragmatic first steps are resonating with people.



Conservative: Jason Kenney

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Second language optional?

A francophone group is unhappy that the Calgary Board of Education is dropping French as a mandatory subject in Grades 4 to 9.

Public school officials say they are making the change to give parents extra flexibility.

It will be up to

individual schools whether to provide French in those grades or whether to offer other languages.

The Canadian Parents for French, Alberta branch, calls the move a giant step backwards for French second-language education in the province.

Group spokesman Michael Tryon says all students should have the right to receive education in both of Canada's official languages.

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Cops raid, find cocaine

A man was arrested and a small amount of cocaine and cash was seized after RCMP exercised a search warrant at a Chestermere home Thursday morning. Calgary police were also involved in the raid.

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Laughter really is the best medicine

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► Micaela's whole family takes part in her laughter yoga sessions. Clockwise, from centre front: Micaela, her sister Keira, clown Jumpa (Fif Fernandes), Micaela's mom, Judith, her dad, Gus, and clown Sparkle (Cheryl Oberg).

Clowning around helps kids cope at the Alberta Children's Hospital



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When one of the Alberta Children's Hospital's therapeutic clowns dropped the term "roller-coaster laugh," Micaela knew exactly what to do.

The 16-year-old — paralyzed after a case of meningoencephalitis, a type of inflammation of the brain — began giggling with her hands in her lap and finished in the classic roller-coaster position: hands up and mouth open.

Laughter Yoga helps children cope with pain and stress by making them laugh, using old-fashioned clown antics.

"It makes me not worry

about the things that are going to happen to me," Micaela said.

Fif Fernandes, one of Micaela's therapeutic clowns, has seen the benefits of Laughter Yoga.

"When you laugh, it releases tension. You sleep better. You breathe better. Science has shown you heal faster if you are happier — in conjunction with medical care," she said.

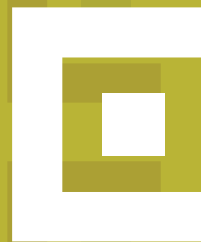
Laughter Yoga

Laughter Yoga — Hasyayoga — was created by guru Jiten Kohi and became popular thanks to an exercise routine developed by an Indian physician.

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Why vote? Calgarians give



Democracy

**Loretta Slomp, 31
Optician**

Far too often we take it for granted that everyone else is going to make the right decision, and without voting you can be caught off guard. It's our democratic right to vote and if we want the right to complain, we should have voted in the first place.



Responsibility

**Janel MacFarlane, 22
Student**

I have already voted. I think it is our right and responsibility ... It is worthwhile and you would put aside time for anything else that is important to you, so you should set aside time for voting. It doesn't really take that long. I live about five minutes away (from my polling station) and it took me about five minutes once I was inside.



Duty

**Musa Ibrahim, 42
Convention centre installer**

We are taking (democracy) extremely for granted. If you don't vote, you don't have the right to whine. People should make the time because it is our duty. Here we have the right to vote, but people in Africa — where I am from in Somalia — people are sacrificing their lives for that right.



Representation

**Anu Rezmi, 40
H&R Block**

It is definitely important people go out and vote. These people are going to represent us, so it is important to know that that is what they are going to do — to represent you. It really affects the types of changes we will see, social, economic or more employment. It's our right and you should choose the correct person to represent you.



No excuse

**Wally Bui, 47
Self-employed**

For me, it is democracy. Saying you don't have time is just an excuse. It is easy to vote ... In Vietnam you have to line up for days and days and if you don't go vote, you go to jail. That is what they call democracy there. We don't have to protest like they are in the Middle East for the right to vote, so we really should do it.



Important

**Julie Tran, 19
Student**

I think with all the things going on in the world, it is important to go out and vote. A lot of people are dying to do so. I don't know who I am going to vote for and I feel kind of bad because I have been passive, but I suppose what is happening in the Middle East has inspired me. Now that I have the opportunity, I want to become more active.

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Freedom

**Derek Fortin, 20
Retail manager**

Essentially, people should vote because it is a freedom and the personal experience is great. I've voted just once, but it was a really proud moment and you feel like you have put your input in there. You aren't just some mindless part of the crowd. If you say you don't have time, it is just an excuse.



Opinion

**Andrew Lee, 26
Student**

I believe it reflects how we think our leaders have done over the past four years. I think we haven't spent every dollar we have where we need to, and this is an opportunity as Canadians to voice our opinion. If we want a see a stronger economy or better spending, we need to vote.



Privilege

**Marilyn Mallow, 60
Driver**

I believe it is our civic duty to vote. It really is a privilege and we should vote. You can make time to do it. I voted when I worked all day as well and it is fairly easy.

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Yarn bombers put city in a knit

- Calgary Art Bomber has been yarn bombing in Calgary for about a year
- She knit scarves for the Famous Five statues in Olympic Plaza



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This isn't your grandma's knitting.

One local knitter, who wished to be identified as Calgary Art Bomber and her two cohorts, the Happy Hookers, are planning to add a little colour and whimsy to the city.

"Yarn bombing is just street art basically. It's like graffiti with yarn," she said. "We do it for fun and to brighten up the landscape and to make people think about their environment."

Earlier this month, Art Bomber and her team spent

the early morning hours dressing traffic barriers along the C-Train line with handmade caps submitted from all over the world.

Art Bomber said she sent out a request for submissions and was sent nearly 40 knit and crocheted caps from eight different countries.

One of the Happy Hookers said there's a sense of danger in yarn bombing but ultimately, it's not permanent.

"You're doing a sort of graffiti activity, yet it's safe," she said. "There's that line where you know you're doing something wrong but it's forgivable."



► Some of the work spun by city yarn bombers.

While the traffic barrier caps didn't last long, another member of the Happy Hookers said part of the excitement is knowing that you have to get there to see it before it's gone.

"It's the action of making it and the action of having it out there and then

'Street art'

About 40 caps from eight countries were sent to Calgary Art Bomber for the traffic barrier project.

- The group also yarn-bombed fences, poles and statues at SAIT campus on April 24.
- Plans to knit blankets for the horses in front of city hall are in the works.

you have to really let it go and see what happens because it's not yours any more," she said. "You're doing it so other people can enjoy it."

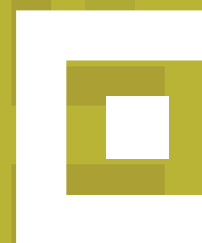


► Calgary Art Bomber, left, and the Happy Hookers are knitting and crocheting art to be displayed on objects around the city including everything from sign posts to statues.

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SMILING JACK

Jack's grin has rivals pouncing

Something about Jack Layton's smile has his rivals grinding their teeth.

First Stephen Harper and now Michael Ignatieff have accused the NDP chief of being all grin and no gravitas.

Ignatieff told a rally in

Quebec City Thursday that Layton's policies don't pass muster. "He has a lovely smile," Ignatieff said. "But no one has put Mr. Layton under a microscope."

At a rally in St. Catharines, Ont., this week, Harper brought up the 1970s when the Liberals and NDP joined forces in Ontario to form a coalition government and unseat the Progressive Conservatives.

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NDP — suddenly rich and popular?

The NDP bank account is enjoying a surge along with the party's rise in the polls.

Figures show the party has raked in \$2.5 million in donations since the writ was dropped March 26.

That exceeds the \$2.1 million the NDP pulled in over the course of the entire 2008 campaign.

On Tuesday, the party

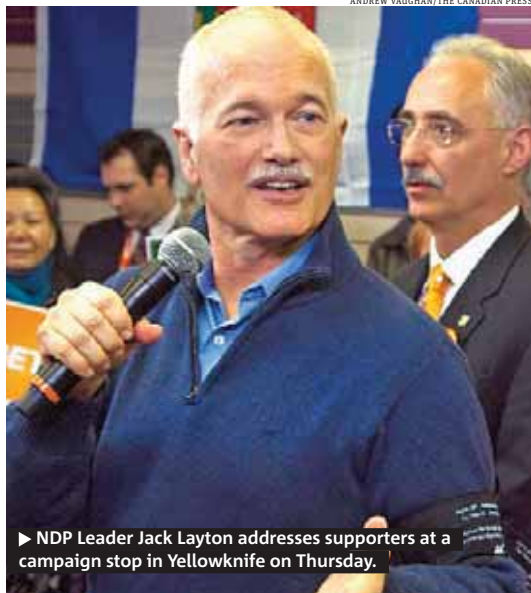
netted \$100,000 in online donations alone. That was on top of \$250,000 collected over the holiday weekend.

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1,100 Campaign officials say the number of donors offering \$1,100 or more has doubled in recent weeks.

Quebec, women cause shift: Poll

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▶ NDP Leader Jack Layton addresses supporters at a campaign stop in Yellowknife on Thursday.

- ▶ Tories have five-point lead on NDP
- ▶ Liberals stay strong in Ontario



A new poll suggests the high-flying NDP have indeed soared past the Liberals and closed in on the Conservatives.

The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey puts Jack Layton's party solidly in second place, just five percentage points behind the Tories.

The Conservatives are at 35 per cent support nationally, with the NDP at 30 per cent and the Liberals at 22 per cent.

The results show the New Democrats have dou-

bled their support since the campaign began late last month — thanks mainly to huge gains among Quebecers and women voters.

The poll has the NDP with a 20-point lead over the Bloc Québécois and leading the Conservatives by one point among female respondents.

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Ontario remains a rare bright spot for the Liberals — they are supported by 34 per cent of respondents.

News in brief

Tory volunteer charged after trip to India

BAIL. A Conservative campaign volunteer and familiar face at party functions has been charged with violating bail conditions, after accompanying a Tory

MP to an event in India.

Snover Dhillon was already facing charges related to \$11,000 in fraudulent credit and debit card withdrawals in Brampton, Ont.

One of the conditions of his bail, set in December, was that he remain in Ontario.

But only a month later, Dhillon met with Conservative MP Patrick Brown at an event in the Punjab region of India.

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Harper talks border security

TRADE. Stephen Harper is in Niagara Falls, Ont., to promote his government's latest effort to court Canada's southern neighbour.

Harper says a Conservative government would press forward with an agreement designed to buttress border security while fostering trade and economic growth between the two countries.

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Candidate's French not pardoned

A Quebec radio station says the NDP is running a candidate with limited French in a riding where virtually everyone is a francophone.

The director of 103.1 FM in central Quebec said Thursday the NDP's Ruth Ellen Brosseau admitted to being able to speak only a little bit of French.

Brosseau's case raises fresh questions about whether New Democrat candidates are qualified to

"He noticed right away that her French obviously couldn't've been better."

JONATHAN GARIEPY, DIRECTOR OF 103.1 FM IN CENTRAL QUEBEC

represent ridings in a province where the party's popularity is surging.

She made headlines this week when the NDP confirmed she has spent part of

the campaign vacationing in Las Vegas.

Station director Jonathan Gariepy said Brosseau seemed surprised when a journalist from the station contacted her for a French on-air interview.

"He even asked her if she spoke French and she replied, with a very pronounced accent, that she spoke French, but only 'a little bit,'" Gariepy said.

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Britain revokes wedding invite to Syrian envoy

► Critics question why despots received invitations, while former British prime ministers were left off list

Global politics trumped ceremonial protocol Thursday, as Britain revoked a royal wedding invitation to the Syrian ambassador because of violent government attacks on protesters there.

But critics continued to ask why the guest list had room for despots while former British prime ministers Gordon Brown and Tony Blair, both from the Labour Party, were left out, and their Conservative counterparts John Major and Margaret Thatcher were invited. Thatcher declined due to poor health.

Human rights groups had criticized the decision to invite Syrian Ambassador Sami Khyami to Prince William and Kate Middleton's nuptials at Westminster Abbey on Friday.

More than 450 people have been killed since mid-March in the uprising against Syrian President Bashar Assad's authoritarian regime, with 120 dead

over the weekend.

The government said ambassadors from all countries with which Britain has "normal diplomatic relations" had been invited to the wedding — some 185 in all — and that an invitation did not condone regimes' behaviour.

Other diplomatic omissions from the guest list include the ambassadors of Libya and Malawi, whose

envoy was expelled from London this week in a tit-for-tat diplomatic feud.

Among the royal wedding invitees criticized by rights activists are Swaziland's absolute monarch, King Mswati III; the ambassador of President Robert Mugabe's regime in Zimbabwe; and Prince Mohamed bin Nawaf bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia.

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► Among royal wedding invitees criticized by activists is Swaziland's King Mswati III (pictured with Queen Paola of Belgium), who has 13 wives and holds an annual dance to choose a bride from tens of thousands of virgins.



► Laura Hewitt, manager of "A Taste of Britain," shows off some of the few Royal Wedding related items not yet sold in her London, Ont. shop, Thursday. Stores that specialize in British food and memorabilia say the past few weeks have been among the busiest they've ever experienced.

Canadians seek bit o' Britain at shops

Some of the shops in Canada that specialize in British food and memorabilia say the past few weeks have been among the busiest they've ever experienced.

The demand comes from both British expatriates and home-grown Canadians eager to celebrate the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton.

Shop owners say trinkets featuring either the royal couple's smiling faces

or the Union Jack have been strong sellers, with some stores saying they sold out of them days ago.

Scones, tea biscuits and clotted cream are all popular with those wanting to mark the ceremony with a breakfast party.

Store owners say most of the business has come from native-born Canadians who are keen to create their own royal experience.

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Wedding stamps



► Canada Post will present official first-day covers of the stamp bearing Prince William and Kate Middleton to members of the Saskatchewan Century Club.



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► Morgan Cantrell gives her nephew, Brayson Hyde, a hug after he stayed with her family during the storm in Bartow County, Ga., Thursday.

Tornadoes tear through six southern states

► Officials say they received 137 tornado reports into Wednesday night ► Worst twisters in 40 years

Massive tornadoes tore a town-flattening streak across the southern states, killing at least 280 people in six states and forcing rescuers to carry some survivors out on makeshift stretchers of splintered debris.

Two of Alabama's major cities were among the places devastated by the deadliest twister outbreak in nearly 40 years.

As day broke on Thursday, people in hard-hit areas surveyed obliterated

Relief plans

Obama will visit storm-ravaged Alabama today to meet with families and the governor to discuss disaster relief efforts.

homes and debris-strewn streets. Some told of deadly winds whipping through within seconds of weather alert broadcasts

during the storms Wednesday afternoon and evening.

"It happened so fast it was unbelievable," said Jerry Stewart, a 63-year-old retired firefighter who was picking through the remains of his son's wrecked home in a suburb of Birmingham. "They said the storm was in Tuscaloosa and it would be here in 15 minutes. And before I knew it, it was here."

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Bomb hits tourist café

A massive terrorist bomb tore through a tourist café in the bustling heart of Marrakech's old quarter, killing at least 11 foreigners and three Moroccans in the country's deadliest attack in eight years.

At least 23 people were wounded in the Thursday blast a few minutes before noon in Djemaa el-Fna square, one of the most popular

attractions in a country that depends heavily on tourism, Moroccan Interior Minister Taib Cher-gaoui said.

Government spokesman Khalid Naciri told the AP it was too soon to lay blame for what he called a terrorist attack, but he noted that Morocco regularly dismantles cells linked to al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb and says it has disrupted several plots.

At least eight French citizens were being treated at Marrakech's main Tofail Hospital, along with one Canadian, a

British citizen and three Moroccans, emergency room chief Hicham Nejmi said.

Others were being treated at a military hospital and clinics.

"There was a huge bang, and lots of smoke went up, there was debris raining down from the sky. Hundreds of people were running in panic, some toward the café, some away from the square. The whole front of the café is blown away," witness Andy Birnie, of north London, told the AP by telephone.

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Aging population concerns China

- Reduced growth due to country's one-child policy in urban areas
- Policy first introduced in 1980 to curb surging population

China's population is aging rapidly, the government said Thursday, though its leaders are refusing to relax strict family planning controls that are part of the cause.

The results of a national census conducted late last year show the proportion of elderly people in the country of 1.34 billion jumped, while that of young people plunged sharply.

The census gives a "by

the numbers" snapshot of the world-changing demographic shifts underway in China in the past decade, as economic reforms raise living standards and pull more people off farms into the cities while families shrink and the population ages.

China's rapid aging has fuelled worries over how long the country will be able to sustain its high economic growth, as fewer young people are available

to work in factories and build the roads that transformed it into the world's second biggest economy after the United States.

The census results show that people aged 60 and older comprise 13.3 per cent of the population, up nearly three percentage points from 2000.

People age 14 and younger accounted for 16.6 per cent, down 6.3 percentage points from a decade ago.

Ma Jiantang, commissioner of the National Bureau of Statistics, told reporters that while the population is aging nationwide, the trend is more pronounced in coastal and developed areas where the population is large and land is relatively scarce.

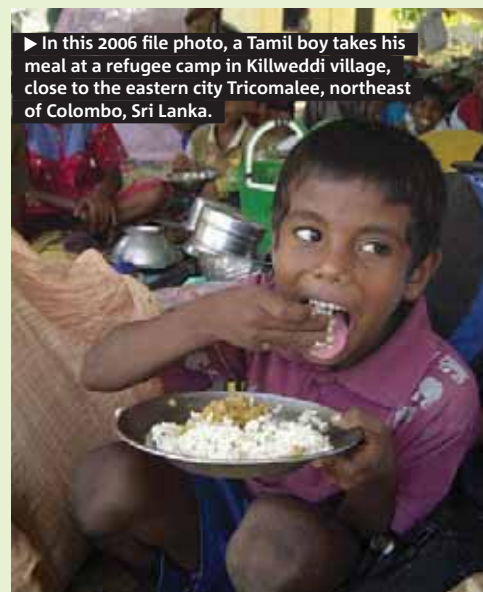
The results also showed that 49.7 per cent of the population now lives in cities, up from about 36 per cent 10 years ago.

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► Elderly men rest on a bench Thursday as a family with their newborn baby walk past at a park in Beijing, China. China's population is aging rapidly and half the people now live in cities, the government said Thursday.



► In this 2006 file photo, a Tamil boy takes his meal at a refugee camp in Killweddi village, close to the eastern city Tricomalee, northeast of Colombo, Sri Lanka.

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SRI LANKA CIVIL WAR SUBJECT OF UN REPORT

A United Nations report that gives credence to allegations of human rights abuses during the bloody end of Sri Lanka's civil war has given some victims' families hope for justice, while others say it comes too late.

The three-member panel of experts says there are credible reports that serious human rights violations — including possible war crimes and crimes against humanity — were committed by both the government and Tamil Tiger rebels in the last months of the decades-long war.

Tens of thousands of ethnic Tamil civilians

perished simply from being caught in the fighting, says the report released Tuesday. It urges UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon to immediately investigate the claims.

The government strongly denounced the content as unverified and biased.

The violent 26-year war, waged by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam for an independent state for ethnic minority Tamils, caused up to 100,000 deaths on both sides — including at least 7,000 in the last five months alone, the UN has said.

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Pair plead guilty in case of girl held for 18 years

► Victim relieved that couple confess to their crimes

► Both defendants waive their right to appeal

A convicted sex offender and his wife have pleaded guilty to charges of kidnapping and raping a Northern California girl when she was 11 and holding her captive for nearly two decades.

Phillip Garrido, 60, who fathered the two children of victim Jaycee Dugard, entered the plea in California Thursday under a surprise deal with prosecutors that calls for a sentence of more than 430 years to life.

His wife, Nancy Garrido,



► Phillip Garrido

55, also pleaded guilty in a deal that calls for 36 years to life.

Dugard was snatched from her family's South Lake Tahoe street in 1991.



► Nancy Garrido

The plea deals will spare Dugard, now 30, and her two daughters, aged 13 and 16, from having to testify.

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Manitoba. Wet and not wonderful



► A home surrounded by water from the flooded Red River remains protected by dikes in the St. Adolphe area south of Winnipeg.

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Saskatchewan blamed for floods

Drenched western Manitoba will have to grin and bear it. Officials say it may be months before flood waters recede, and the blame, they say, lies in Saskatchewan. It has been giving Manitoba "its fair share of water," says Manitoba Water Stewardship's Steve Topping. Almost 2,000 people have had to leave their homes and more than 60 provincial highways and 600 municipal roads have been affected.

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Yemen protests heat up after 12 killed

► Opposition parties call killings of protesters a 'savage massacre'

Tens of thousands rallied across Yemen Thursday, denouncing the killing of 12 protesters the previous day in Sanaa and demanding the country's longtime ruler step down.

Demonstrators took to the streets to condemn Wednesday's brutal crackdown by forces loyal to President Ali Abdullah Saleh in Sanaa and several other Yemeni cities.

The violence drew a condemnation from the U.S. Embassy, which said

in a statement it was distressed by the killings. It urged Yemenis to avoid "all provocative demonstrations, marches, and speeches in the coming days."

Saleh has clung to office despite near-daily protests calling for his ouster since early February.

Hundreds were wounded Wednesday when security forces backed by snipers fired on about 100,000 demonstrators.

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► A Yemeni girl flashes the victory sign as female anti-government protesters, not seen, chant slogans Thursday in Sanaa, Yemen, during a demonstration demanding the resignation of Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh.

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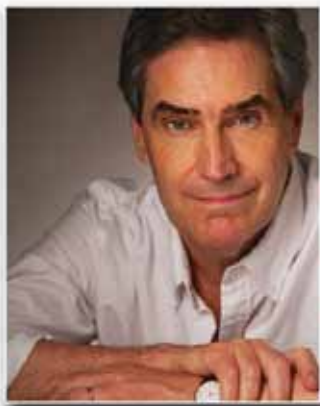
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Cam Stewart is a 25 year retired veteran of the Calgary Police Service where some of his time was spent focused on diversity relations. Cam has a masters degree in intercultural communications and teaches in the Criminal Justice Program at Mount Royal University

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Josipa Petronic

Dr. Josipa Petronic, age 31, holds a journalism degree, two masters degrees (one from London School of Economics and a second from the U of Edinburgh) and a PhD from the U of Edinburgh. Raised in east Calgary, one of four daughters of immigrants, speaks English, French, Croatian, Italian and German and is studying Arabic and Mandarin.

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Jennifer Pollock is a Calgary lawyer and former elected Calgary School Board chair. She has an extensive history of community volunteerism including teaching with CUSO in Africa, officiating at the 1988 Olympics and involvement in hockey and lacrosse associations.

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Omar Harb

Omar Harb is a U of C student working towards a business degree in energy management. Omar has served as a volunteer with many community organizations.

Crowfoot

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Janice Kinch

Dr. Janice Kinch is a Calgarian by choice, having moved here in 2001 to take up a position as an Assistant Professor of Nursing at U of C. Janice is been actively concerned with the direction of healthcare system, particularly with respect to seniors, Aboriginals and support for family caregivers.

Calgary West

janicekinch.liberal.ca



Marlene LaMontagne

Marlene LaMontagne holds two university degrees, is a widow of a Canadian Forces veteran and recently completed a six year term as a U of C Senator. Marlene was also President of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews (Calgary) and the Canadian Club of Calgary

Calgary Southwest

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Brian MacPhee

Brian MacPhee is a native Albertan who has worked in the service and delivery industries in Calgary. He is an avid softball and volleyball enthusiast, playing and officiating in both sports.

Calgary Southeast

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John Reilly

John Reilly is a former Alberta Provincial Court judge of 33 years and author of the acclaimed book 'Bad Medicine'. John received his BA and law degrees from University of Alberta and is an advocate for criminal justice reform.

Wild Rose

johnreilly.ca



Nicole Hankel

Nicole Hankel is a Calgary entrepreneur who has been engaged in her own publishing and printing businesses. She holds a degree from U of C and is an avid motorcyclist and outdoors person.

Macleod

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Margaret McLeod

Margaret McLeod has been a registered psychologist for over 35 years and is president of Mission Bridge Psychological Associates. Margaret volunteered and provided leadership with the disabilities community.

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One step closer to sainthood

Poles are already calling him John Paul the Great.

Across the heavily Roman Catholic country, the faithful are voicing joy and pride as Sunday's beatification of Polish-born Pope John Paul II draws closer.

Now many here repeat a common refrain: That the beatification is largely a formality because they already consider their native son the holiest of men. Beatification is the last formal step before possible sainthood, and many in Poland hope the fast beatification will be followed by a speedy canonization, as well.

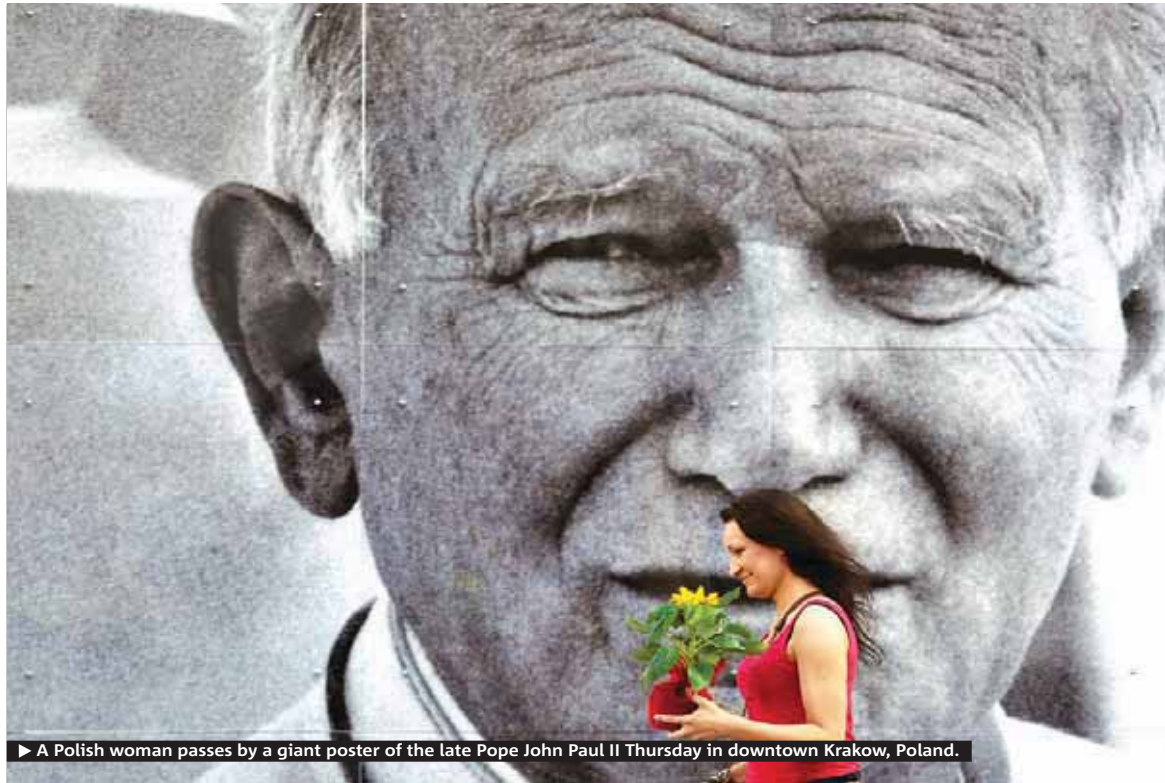
"For us, in fact, the Holy Father was already a saint during his lifetime, and after his death even more," said Ewa Filipiak, the mayor of Wadowice, the small town in southern Poland where Karol Wojtyla, the future pope, was born.

Warsaw Archbishop Kazimierz Nycz this week called the beatification a historic moment and predicted that the late pontiff will go down in history as "Pope John Paul II the Great." Nycz did not expand on that idea, but the title "the Great" is usually designated for popes worthy of sainthood, such as Gregory the Great and Leo the Great.

"I am convinced the pope did a lot for people across the world during his papacy," said Magdalena Chmielewska, a 50-year-old librarian who boarded a Rome-bound bus from a Warsaw church Wednesday.

Many Poles credit the late John Paul for his role in inspiring Lech Walesa's Solidarity movement, a catalyst in the toppling of communism in Poland.

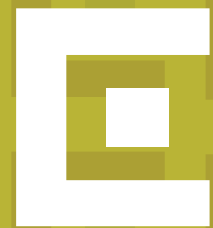
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► A Polish woman passes by a giant poster of the late Pope John Paul II Thursday in downtown Krakow, Poland.

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A living saint who walked among us

- ▶ Many believe Pope John Paul II was a saint, beatification a formality
- ▶ Pope's personal photographer says he was witness to many saintly acts

It was May 4, 1984, and Pope John Paul II was visiting Sorok Island off South Korea, a one-time leper colony where several hundred people with the disfiguring disease were receiving care.

Arturo Mari was there, as he was on all the pontiff's trips, a silent witness to almost every papal audience, mass, vacation and dinner party, public or private.

As the pope's personal photographer, Mari had nearly unrestricted access to John Paul's 27-year papacy, and his verdict as the pontiff's beatification ap-



"He touched them with his hands, caressed them, kissed each one. Eight hundred lepers, one by one. One by one!"

ARTURO MARI, POPE JOHN PAUL II'S PERSONAL PHOTOGRAPHER

proaches is unwavering: He was a living saint.

The protocol that day in 1984 called for John Paul to enter the Sorok pavilion where the patients were gathered, give a brief speech on the meaning of suffering, then leave. But after surveying the scene, John Paul brushed aside a

cardinal who tried to speed him along, and set to work.

He proceeded to touch each and every single one of them, Mari said.

"For me he was a man of God," the 71-year-old Mari said in an interview this week inside his apartment just steps from the Vatican.

"I can guarantee you he was a living saint, because

everything I could see with my eyes, hear with my ears, you cannot believe that this man could do so much."

On Sunday, Pope Benedict XVI will beatify John Paul in St. Peter's Square, bestowing the Catholic Church's confirmation that Karol Wojtyla lived a saintly life.

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A leader for the world

When Pope John Paul II moves one step away from sainthood Sunday, the event will be celebrated in cathedrals, high schools and homes by American Roman Catholics who revere the Polish pontiff like none before him.

Other American Catholics see the occasion as a reminder that the charismatic, globe-trotting pope was a better leader for the world at large.

John Paul II has only been dead for six years, but his 27-year tenure as leader of the church is already thought of as a golden age, when Catholicism faced down Soviet Communism and won admirers from all faiths.

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PRAYER FOR LOST

► Those lost at sea may now become Buddhas, priests say ► Families of missing loved ones seek comfort in Shinto beliefs, 49 days after the disaster

Buddhist priests burned incense and chanted Thursday for Japan's tsunami victims, marking the 49th day since the disaster and closing the period when the dead were believed to be wandering restlessly through destroyed hometowns.

About 1,200 mourners filled a hall to overflowing, with many standing outside a gate, for a ceremony organized by 170 priests in the northeastern town of Soma, where much of the coast remains buried in mountains of debris from the March 11 earthquake and tsunami.

Many carried framed photographs of lost loved

"Maybe someday my brother will be found. Maybe not. But he has at least had this."

KIYOSHI SAKURAI, PRAYING FOR HIS MISSING ELDER BROTHER

ones and wept. Some clutched wooden tablets containing Buddhist names assigned to the dead to help them find their way into their next phase of existence.

"There are people lost at the bottom of the sea who will never be found. But this is the day they become Buddhas. We pray for them all, and for all sentient beings," Buddhist

priest Kojin Sato said.

Overall, the quake and tsunami is believed to have killed nearly 26,000 people, though only about 14,500 bodies have been found.

Kiyoshi Sakurai fears that will be the case with his elder brother, missing since the disaster.

"It's very difficult because we couldn't have a proper funeral. But this gives us some feeling of closure," Sakurai said, clutching a blurry photo of his brother.

"It was comforting to have so many priests come to pray for our relatives," he said.

Many Japanese share

Buddhist beliefs with the native Japanese religion of Shinto, which worships spirits in nature and dead ancestors. Virtually all rites related to death are Buddhist, and in many Japanese schools of Buddhist thought, the dead wander near their homes for 49 days before heading into their next stage of existence on the 50th day.

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► Relatives carry flowers as they pray for school children and teachers, either dead or missing, who were the victims of the March 11 earthquake and tsunami. The memorial service at Ishinomaki, northeastern Japan, was held Thursday, the 49th day after the disaster to honour the dead in a Buddhist custom.

Army defiance shows cracks in Syria's regime

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Syrian army units have clashed with each other over following President Bashar Assad's orders to crack down on protesters in Daraa, a besieged city at the heart of the uprising, witnesses and human rights groups said Thursday.

More than 450 people have been killed across Syria — about 100 in Daraa alone — and hundreds detained since the popular revolt against Assad began in mid-March, according to human rights groups.

While the troops' infighting in Daraa does not indicate any decisive splits in the military, it is significant because Assad's army



► Syrians flee to Wadi Khaled, Lebanon, about one kilometre from the Lebanon-Syria border on Thursday.

has always been the regime's fiercest defender.

It is the latest sign that cracks, however small, are developing in Assad's base of support that would have

been unimaginable just weeks ago. About 200 members of Syria's ruling Baath Party have resigned over Assad's brutal crack-down. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Syria tried to build nuclear reactor: UN

The head of the International Atomic Energy Agency said for the first time that a target destroyed by Israeli war-

planes in the Syrian desert in 2007 was the covert site of a future nuclear reactor, countering assertions by Syria that it had no atomic secrets.

Israel has never publicly commented on the strike or even acknowledged carrying it out. The U.S. has shared intelli-

gence with the agency that identifies the structure as a nearly completed nuclear reactor that, if finished, would have been able to produce plutonium for the fissile core of nuclear warheads.

Syria denies any covert nuclear activity.

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Crack repaired in Trans Mountain line

Crude oil is once again flowing through the Trans Mountain pipeline from Alberta to terminals in Burnaby, B.C., and Washington State.

Operator Kinder Morgan says it has restarted shipping at 80 per cent capacity. The line, which can carry up to 300,000 barrels per day, was shut

down Good Friday when a small crack leaked crude on a farmer's field outside Edmonton.

Spokesperson Lexa Hobenshield says the company will be meeting with the National Energy Board next week to decide when the line can be brought back up to full capacity.

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Canadians like to watch

- Online video consumption surges by 37 per cent in past six months
- Netflix is likely to boost numbers

Canadians are the world's most voracious consumers of online video, viewing far more videos, for far longer, than web surfers in other countries, measurement firm ComScore reports.

Last month alone, 22.5 million unique Canadian users watched 5.6 billion online videos for 388 million hours of viewing. That averages out to about 251 videos per user and 17.2 hours of viewing.

And those numbers don't account for video streaming through Netflix, which launched in Canada in late September and has amassed 800,000 paying customers.

According to ComScore's data for March, about 90 per cent of Canadian Internet users watched some online video last month, compared to 81 per cent in the U.K., 83 per cent in France and 84 per cent in Germany and the U.S.

Web users aged two

"Every year there tends to be a couple of events with incredible international presence ... and any large cultural event seems to do really well with online video."

ANDRES PALMITER,
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through 24 were extremely engaged, with 94 per cent having watched some online video. Users older than 65 were less likely to have watched online video but by only a few percentage points, at 86 per cent.

ComScore spokesman Andres Palmiter said Friday's live streaming of the royal wedding could spur more web surfers into becoming regular online video watchers.

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► Brazilian supermodel Gisele Bundchen works the window — and the crowd — at the C&A department store in Sao Paulo to mark the launch of her women's clothing line.

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Window of opportunity

She has walked the major catwalks of the world. Now Gisele Bundchen is taking a role in the design side of the fashion business after the Thursday launch of her self-named clothing line. With an income of an estimated \$33 million US in 2007, she was named the world's top-earning model by Forbes magazine.

Friendster in need of a makeover

Faded social networking site Friendster will soon delete nearly a decade's worth of user photos, blog entries and other data in a revamp to set it apart from Facebook, company officials said Thursday.

The overhaul is meant to help Friendster regain a semblance of online relevance after being outmus-

cled by Facebook, which boasts about 600 million active users. Friendster has accumulated at least 115 million registered members since 2002, but less than 40 million are active users.

Friendster members have until May 31 to save pictures, messages and blog posts on other sites.

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► McDonald's teaches team building and deadline discipline, company managers say.

'McJobs' still in demand

- Fast food isn't always a low-paying, unstimulating dead end
- For some people it can offer real career opportunities

McDonald's recent hiring day in Canada was an unqualified success, with 20,000 to 25,000 applicants showing up for roughly 4,000 jobs across the country, says Len Jillard, the company's senior vice-president, people resources, and chief people officer.

The number far exceeded expectations, Jillard said. "Our target was to

have 10,000 applications."

The Canadian arm of the world's best-known fast food chain picked up on the idea of a hiring day from south of the border, but Jillard insists it wasn't because McDonald's has trouble finding people.

"We thought that rather than each individual restaurant or operator doing their thing, because we

hire 365 days a year ... let's collectively put our efforts together and create a real awareness around it in terms of what we do offer."

Fast food jobs have long had a bad reputation, but they remain a staple for students who have little or no work experience.

Having McDonald's on your resumé remains a plus, said Jillard, a former

burger flipper himself. "Sixty per cent of us on the leadership team, we all started in the restaurant as teenagers."

He added: "When they have McDonald's work experience on their resumé they come to the top of the pile. They're used to working in teams in a high-paced environment."

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TELEVISION'S SENSORY OVERLOAD

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This week, the 3 Rs: Royalty, religion and reality TV

1 Vocal eyes: I took a slight interest in the debut of *The Voice* this week. Now I have ignited

the curiosity that will dictate my whereabouts every Tuesday night for the rest of the season. Damn you, Christina Aguilera!

2 Sensory overload: So here's my new schedule: Monday night is *Dancing With The Stars*, but I have to tune in Tuesday for the results, right before watching *The Voice*. Wednesday is *American Idol*, which has its results air Thursday. During commercials, I check the NHL and NBA playoffs, but under extreme pressure (from my wife) to return quickly for fear of missing one of Bruno Tonioli's golden metaphors that may or may not pertain to dance. To add to my frustration, Rogers' digital PVR does not allow us to record more than two shows at once, and you have to be watching one of them! I CAN'T TAKE THIS PRESSURE! Thank God it's Friday.

3 NBA playoffs: Hey, remember when Canada had two NBA teams? Well, the Vancouver Grizzlies are now in Memphis (and retained the name Grizzlies, which makes no sense, although they may have a grizzly at the Memphis Zoo). The Grizzlies have surprised everyone by going toe-to-toe with the best team in the west, the San Antonio Spurs. Can we have them back now, please?

4 NHL playoffs: My impression of Habs fans this week: "Oh yeah! ... Yes! ... What? Noo!! Wait ... maybe ... Nope. Go Canucks!"

5 Royal wedding: Earlier this week, I saw a show called *A Royal Wedding* on TLC, where I watched experts speak for 15 minutes about the makings of the "royal cake" for the upcoming royal nuptials. I then proceeded to the royal biker bar to get someone to royally punch me in the head.

6 Miss Fortune: Lindsay Lohan did some time again last week for the jewelry theft that violated her 2007 probation for drunk driving. She was sentenced to 120 days in jail and 480 hours community service, but was released on bail pending an appeal. Her parents were not present since they had tickets to see Charlie Sheen's *Torpedo Of Truth* show.

7 "So let it be written": Ask anyone who their favourite Bible hero is and Moses and Jesus come a close second to Charlton Heston. Easter weekend is his "royalties Super Bowl" with repeated broadcasts of *The Ten Commandments* and *The Greatest Story Ever Told*. It's hard to resist such profound biblical dialogue.

"... to be stripped of spirit, and hope, and strength, only because they are of another race, another creed ... If there is a God, he did not mean this to be so."

It reminds me of a classic George Carlin routine where he offers clarification of the following commandment:

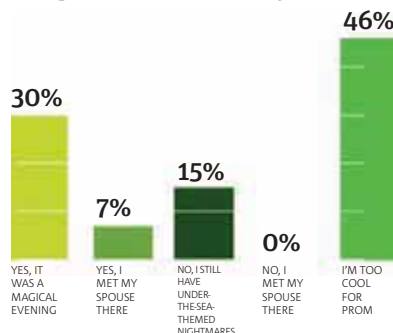
"Thou shalt try real hard not to kill anyone, unless, of course, they pray to a different invisible avenger than the one you pray to."

Good night. I'll be here all weekend.



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Disney's Prom premieres Friday. Do you have good memories of your prom night?



Worth mentioning

ATHENS. The World Health Organization will give Greek Prime Minister George Papandreou a World No Tobacco Day award for passing anti-smoking legislation in Greece — a country where the new smoking ban is largely ignored.

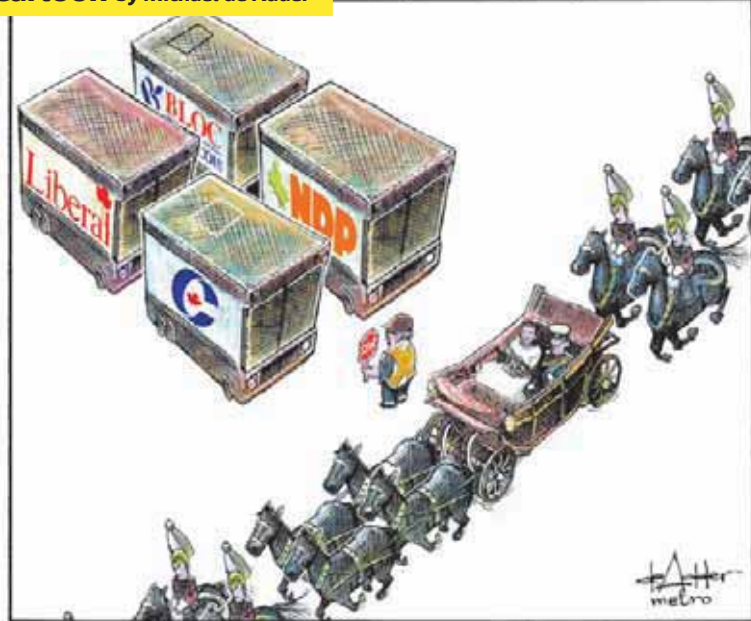
Papandreou's government introduced the ban last September, outlawing smoking in enclosed public areas in the third attempt by Greek authorities to crack down on smoking in recent years.

Those caught violating the new law face fines of between \$74 US and \$740, while businesses can be fined between \$740 and about \$14,800.

But the ban is openly flouted, and people light up freely in bars, cafés and restaurants. Even some public offices are not immune in a country where, according to a European Commission survey published in 2009, 42 per cent of people older than the age of 15 smoke.

WHO spokesman Timothy O'Leary said Thursday the award was one of 36 given out each year. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



WEIRD NEWS

These thieves are extra slippery

No sticky fingers here. These pilferers probably have slippery digits.

The increase in fuel prices has led to an increase in the number of used fryer grease rustlers roaming restaurant alleys in the United States, Reuters reports.

The grease is cleaned and sold for use as biofuel, livestock feed and other products.

An Omaha recycler has filed theft reports with police in Omaha and Lincoln in Nebraska, and Sioux City, Iowa.

Grease thefts have spiked whenever fuel prices skyrocketed during the last four years and this spring is no different, according to Tom Cook, president of the U.S. National Renderers Association.

Processed fryer oil is not trash. It is called yellow grease and traded. Its value is driven by higher prices of gas and ethanol.

"The price (of yellow grease) is real good right now," Cook said. "And those who steal it are really getting a good deal because they're not paying for it."

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► **@tipperaryspub:** Time to get on the Canuck bandwagon, canadian team and all. Go Canucks Go!

► **@Heathette:** I think learning french should be mandatory in elementary-high school #yyc #yeg

► **@August29:** It's April 28th and it's snowing. That's a bit ridiculous even by #yyc standards.

► **@trevorengstrom:** I don't always drive dangerously, but when I do, I do it in a pick-up truck on Deerfoot. #yyc #dosequis

Local tweets



► **@anneosullivan:** I think I may have started my

seedlings too early ... It is snowing in Calgary again. #yyc

► **@kevinjyoungblut:** not gonna lie #yyc ... seems like a good day for an afternoon nap!

► **@CandaceLacina:** #yyc ... I refuse to let this weather get me down!! I may however, emotionally eat my way through the rest of the day ... no big deal.

► **@AnnaliseKlingbe:** Five days to #elxn41 and I haven't had a single door-knocker. Only



▶ Thomas McDonell and Aimee Teegarden star in Prom.

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A predicatable Prom

▶ Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin debate the merits of Prom ▶ Teen movie fails to bring anything new, funny or interesting to the big dance

Richard Crouse: Mark, first of thanks for the corsage. It was perfect for the Prom screening, and how did you know aqua carnations are my favourite? As for the movie itself, I know it is meant for teens and we're somewhat older than the target audience, but really, I think there is a case to be made to bring the filmmakers up on charges of elder abuse for making us sit through this tedious exercise in youth entertainment. What did you think?

Mark Breslin: Richard, I would have hated this movie even when I was a teen. My objection is not that it was for teenagers, but that it was made for stupid and uncritical teenagers. There have been lots of smart, sly high school movies: *Heathers*,

Plot synopsis

▶ Nova Prescott (Aimee Teegarden) is an overachieving senior and head of the prom committee. After spending weeks working on decorations for the big night a mysterious fire re-

duces her hard work to ash. Will the prom go on? Will school rebel Jesse Richter (Thomas McDonell) actually turn out to be a good guy? Will anyone care by the time the credits roll?

Ratings:
Richard: Zero
Mark: Ⓢ

Mean Girls, *Jawbreaker*, *Easy A*. This is NOT one of them. Except for the incredible plot twist revealed halfway through the picture, there would be no reason to see it.

RC: Incredible plot twist? I just saw it and have no idea what you mean. This is as "by the book" as it gets. Anyone who doesn't know how this is going to end by the time the opening credits have played has never

seen a movie before. Predictable in the extreme, even the stuff this kind of movie usually gets right, like the comic relief, doesn't bring any relief.

MB: The plot twist is this: One of the girls gets accepted to Parsons School of Design for the following semester, but the letter is clearly dated 2015. That means the entire movie is taking place four years into the future, during which time a group of orthodontists from outer space colonize a high school and replace the students with insipid, dweeby versions of themselves, giving them all perfect teeth in the process. Diabolical! Then they turn the males into '80s teen star clones of Ralph Macchio, Keanu Reeves, John Cusack, etc. Diabolical, I say!

RC: Ha! The only truly diabolical thing about this movie is the script, which makes the old *Afternoon Specials* seem like Chekov. The characters all seem borrowed from *The Breakfast Club* only without the special touch that John Hughes brought to his movies.

MB: And I've never seen a bad boy roll over so fast. I don't think a principal can order a student to do extracurricular work.

Scene in brief



Jason Sudeikis will host the 20th annual MTV Movie Awards. The Saturday Night Live cast member will host the June 5 show. The awards will take place at the Gibson Amphitheatre in Universal City, Calif., and air live on MTV.

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Goodwin tackles an unsympathetic role

► Something Borrowed actress liked the chance to play the antagonist



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In taking on the lead role of Rachel in *Something Borrowed*, actress Ginnifer Goodwin found a whole new challenge: making a character sympathetic when you just want to give her a good slap. In the film, Rachel finally makes a move on the man she's loved for years, despite the fact that he's engaged to her best friend (Kate Hudson). The *Big Love* star sat down with Metro to talk about playing a difficult character and longing to get back to her Shakespearean roots.

What was the draw for you for this character?

I was actually inspired by the challenge of making her sympathetic because, on paper, I don't agree with any of her decisions. I was inspired by the fact that I judge her so harshly, and I wanted to tackle my fears about playing her. I took the part because I



► Ginnifer Goodwin stars in *Something Borrowed*, which opens in theatres next Friday.

wanted to understand girls like her, women like her.

Did your opinion of her change after playing her?

I feel that I can be more sympathetic, though I may not be able to fully say I empathize with her in any way. Ultimately she just makes so many choices that are off of my own moral compass. On paper she's the antagonist, if you step back.

What advice would you give Rachel if you were her friend?

Oh my gosh. "Grow some balls, lady." I mean, it's a difficult situation for Rachel because she's always looked for her self-worth in the attention that she receives from other people. Ultimately I would say to her — but she's not ready for this at the top of the movie — you know, ask for what you want. The worst thing that can happen is you are rejected and

you will move on. In the history of the world, no one has ever died of a broken heart.

You have a lot of Shakespeare in your background. Do you have any plans to do more?

Oh, I'd kill to do anything that anyone would let me do. I mean, Shakespeare is my first love and my introduction, really, to theatre. I would do anything to be back on stage performing Shakespeare plays.

Gibson's scandals hurt *The Beaver*

SUMMIT ENTERTAINMENT

Jodie Foster says it's been difficult to market her new film, *The Beaver*, amid a series of ugly scandals that have plagued its star and her friend, Mel Gibson.

Foster, who directs and acts in the family drama, took the unusual step of attending a private screening in Toronto on Wednesday night and answered questions from an audience of journalists.

After the screening, she said it was challenging to find the right moment to debut the film, which was largely shot before Gibson's ex-girlfriend went public with accusations of abuse last year.

Foster noted that the theatrical release has been postponed three times. The *Beaver* is now set to open May 6 in limited release and will spread to more cities on May 20.

Gibson stars as a depressed man who can only speak through a beaver puppet he wears on his hand.

Last month, the *Braveheart* star received three years' probation and was ordered to get domestic violence counselling after pleading no contest to misdemeanor battery. The



► Jodie Foster and Mel Gibson in *The Beaver*.

plea did not include an admission of guilt.

"It's pretty hard, we did have three release dates and they were all cancelled, so this is the winner," Foster said Wednesday, referring to the new date.

"You just have to go with it. I can't help but say I can't quite believe that I got to make a movie and I'm always amazingly grateful and in awe of that."

Foster, who co-starred with Gibson in 1994's *Maverick*, praised the 55-year-old Oscar-winner for a "spectacular" performance in the new film.

"I'm so grateful for Mel's performance, it's just such a gift to a director," said Foster. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Fast Five is ridiculous, but exciting

Fast Five

Genre: Action

Director: Justin Lin

Stars: Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson

In any conventional sense, Fast Five is a bad movie. The dialogue is laughable, the plot ridiculous, and the acting is over-the-top. Yet, those qualities are part of what people love about cheesy action movies — and Fast Five definitely delivers for that audience.

The whole thing is ludicrous, but hilariously so and most importantly it never winks at the camera. This is earnest cheese and all the funnier for it. The series' characters are now inexplicably high stakes professional



thieves and the movie reunites them for "one last job" with a perpetually greased up and pissed off The Rock in pursuit for the FBI.

Within seconds a bus is flipped and from that point on barely a minute passes without a scene in-

volving a fast car, a scantily clad lady, a gun, an explosion, a one-liner, or all five.

It's all big dumb fun paced for the ADD crowd and would be easy to mock were it not so entertaining. The action defies physics and logic

and the script sounds like it was written by a monkey, but every scene is either unintentionally hilarious or genuinely exciting. If you have a taste for high-octane trash, Fast Five offers your drug of choice.

PHIL BROWN



Hoodwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil

Genre: Animation

Director: Mike Disa

Stars: Hayden Panettiere, Glenn Close

In the fairy-tale spoof Hoodwinked Too!, Little Red Riding Hood (Hayden Panettiere) returns as a covert operative assigned to rescue kidnap victims

Hansel and Gretel.

Where the 2004 original suffered from cut-rate animation, the sequel clearly compensates — it's in 3-D even! However, in spite of cheeky, rapid-fire, pop-culture laced dialogue, the story lacks the depth of today's more memorable animated hits

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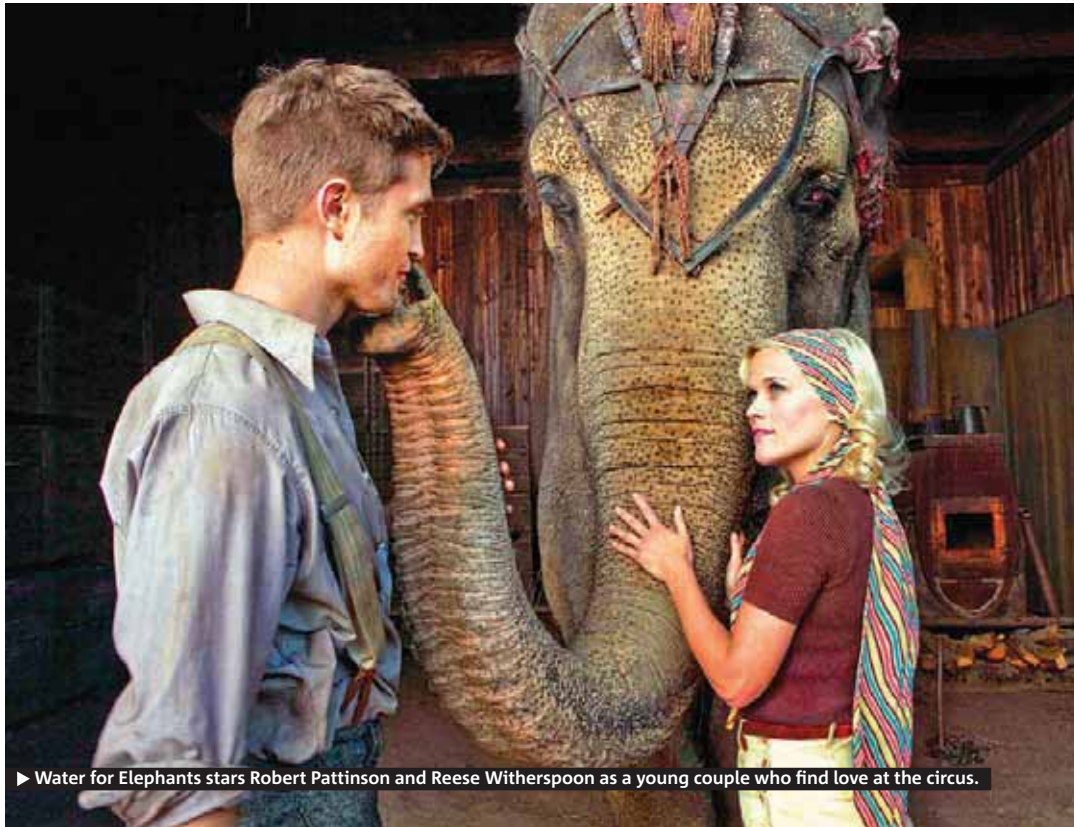
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► Pat Monahan of the band Train performs during the 28th Annual ASCAP Pop Music Awards on Wednesday.

Rod Stewart, Train honoured at ASCAP

Two of the year's most prolific hitmakers, Lukasz (Dr. Luke) Gottwald and Max Martin, are the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' songwriters of the year.

The two men, who are responsible for such hits as Miley Cyrus' Party in the U.S.A. and Katy Perry's California Gurls, took top honours Wednesday at ASCAP's 28th annual Pop Music Awards.

Train frontman Pat Monahan won song of the year for Hey, Soul Sister. EMI

Music Publishing was named publisher of the year.

Rod Stewart, Band of Horses and Randy Bachman were also honoured at the private ceremony at the Renaissance Hollywood Hotel. Ke\$ha, Adam Lambert, Taio Cruz and Darren Criss of Glee were among the night's presenters and performers.

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What happens after happily ever after?

► The Submarines are exploring that question with new album



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The story of the Submarines has all the makings of an indie rock rom-com: Boy meets girl, they fall in love, move to L.A., break up, then realize they've been writing songs about each other, so they form a band, fall in love all over again and get married.

But that was several years ago. Their new album, Love Notes/Letter Bombs, finds singers and instrumentalists Blake

Hazard and John Dragonetti exploring what happens after happily ever after.

The songs are jumpy and fun with plinking and blooping instrumentation; but beneath the sunny surface lurks that slightly antagonistic chemistry that can keep a relationship vital.

The opening line of the song Tigers is: "The piano makes the sound you play so quietly/these love notes, letter bombs/you send them back to me."

That feels like it's both your songwriting process and domestic life.



► Blake Hazard and John Dragonetti of The Submarines are pictured during a 2008 performance in Los Angeles.

Dragonetti: It definitely is.

Hazard: God, that's really funny. I hadn't thought about that. They are sort of like love notes and letter bombs we throw at each other in songs.

You really hadn't thought of that? I thought it was just autobiographical.

Hazard: Well it is, but with Tigers, I had a vision

of this rambling old mansion in this Wes Anderson-esque setting, where this couple is sort of running around. And I was imagining tying a love note around a brick and throwing it through a window, this kind of sinister cuteness or something. I was kind of imagining more of that. I guess I didn't see it as a metaphor for what we were doing.

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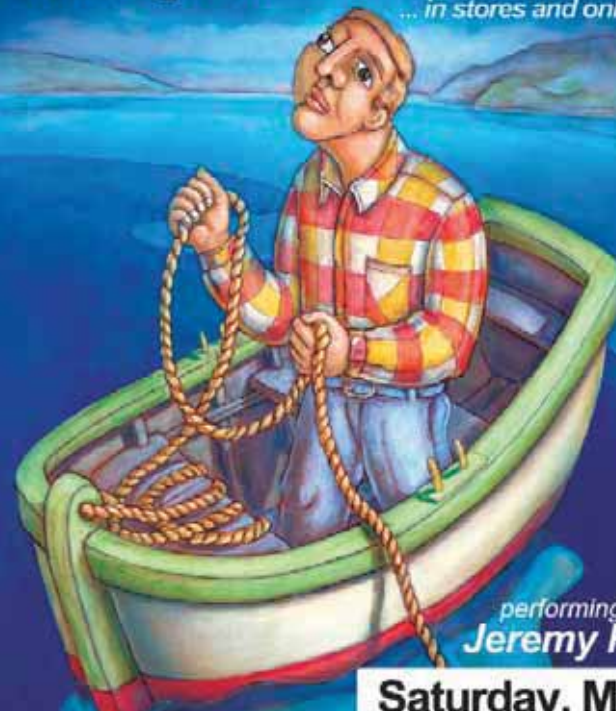
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GUIDE TO UN-GOOGLE-ABLE BANDS

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If you want to know more about a new band, the first step is to search them out on Google (or Bing or Yahoo or whatever). Most of the time, you find what you're looking for. But then there are those bands whose names can either break you or Google.

Names Consisting of Some Common Word

Before Google's algorithm had figured out that The

National was a well-regarded American band, it deposited you in Peter Mansbridge's lap. Hint: When searching for a band that uses a dreadfully common word, end the search query with (band). It even works with something as awkward as The The (band). Try it.

Bands who insist on using punctuation marks instead of words

Think Prince's old unpronounceable made-up typographical symbol was tough?

It gets worse.

There's an excellent American indie band which insists on identifying itself with three exclamation marks, as in !!! Unless you know that the preferred pronunciation of it is Chk Chk Chk (a search that Google will accept), you'll give any search engine a nervous breakdown. Same thing with ^ That Rhode Island band would like it if you called them Arc.



Names that resemble glyphs, runes, random symbols and assorted windings

Mater Suspiria is a strange European entity that features a member named 3D> <3. That must be a blast around driver's license renewal time. Don't break Google by entering that name; back-door things by going straight for

Mater Suspiria.

Names that look like logos scribbled in the back of a high school notebook

A gold star to anyone who can pronounce GL▲SS †33†H. Look carefully. Did you see Glass Teeth? Score! What about twYIY<ght>ZoNe? Twilight Zone, obviously — but unless you spell it just so, you'll be sent off into Rod Serling land. Then there's PWIN ^ ^ TEAKS, a band in the "witch house" genre (don't ask) disambiguating Twin Peaks.

Names that are just hopeless

The harder I tried searching for ††††, the more neurotic Google became. The best I can gather is they chose that name so they could remain hidden to all but the most faithful. In the end, it was one big FAIL.

Same thing with ///▲▲▲\\, which I swear is the real name of a band. I couldn't find them, either. Another marketing/SEO FAIL.

You've been married for a few years now, but this album is still rife with the joys of new love as well as the sorrow of broken hearts.

Dragonetti: Yeah, well, you know, it's not very black and white, obviously. It's been — without getting into it too much — it's been up and down.

Even in a relationship or marriage, you still have your struggles.

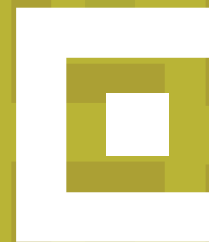
Even stuff that happened long ago still feels present sometimes. We're trying to figure it out. It gives us stuff to write about.

Hazard: Yeah, I don't think there's quite a way for writing about things without pulling any punches.

Dragonetti: It has been a struggle at times, but we do our best.

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Dive into the Shark Tank

REALITY. If you're wedding-weary, check out a new episode of Shark Tank, in which a fiery entrepreneur presents her line of luxury maternity gowns and a Southern belle pitches

her homemade cakes. (Friday, A)

Catch the first Twilight flick



MOVIE. Catch the beginnings of another power couple, Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson, in the first Twilight film. Based on Stephenie Meyer's best-selling book series, the B.C.-shot drama stars Stewart as Bella Swan, who falls for a handsome vampire named Edward (Pattinson) when she moves to Forks, Wash. Many say this was the film that sparked the stars' real-life romance. (Saturday, Citytv)

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Murder and dirty politics

► Eric Ladin dishes on his role as campaign manager in AMC's The Killing



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After the success of Mad Men, Breaking Bad and The Walking Dead, it seemed like AMC could do no wrong, so there was a great deal of pressure on its newest series The Killing. But after just five episodes it seems AMC has another hit, both with the critics and the viewers.

For those who have not jumped on yet, The Killing follows the investigation of the murder of a teenage girl through the eyes of the police, the victim's family and the municipal election campaign.

Actor Eric Ladin, who is no stranger to quality ca-

ble dramas after his stints on Mad Men and Big Love, plays Jamie Wright, the campaign manager of Seattle mayoral hopeful Darren Richmond (Billy Campbell).

Ladin spoke to Metro while in Vancouver shooting the last few episodes of the first season.

"Jamie and Darren have quite a bit of history together," Ladin said. "The relationship can be a little bit precarious for Jamie because of that history. He has to be honest and blunt with Darren even though they are friends."

In the most recent episode Jamie got to show off some of his dirtier political skills by infiltrating

his opponent's camp to find a mole in the Richmond campaign. Ladin said that he read several books written by political operatives and campaign managers as research for the role. He even spoke to some of the authors to get more insight.

"There was one operative that I did mold the character after but it's a name that I would rather not say, only because I'm not sure he would be OK with the comparison," Ladin said, adding that he watched plenty of The West Wing as well.

The murder investigation that is at the heart of The Killing is tied to the Richmond campaign be-

cause the body of the victim was found in a stolen campaign car. Ladin admits that Jamie sees the investigation "as a pain in his ass," but he is smart enough to use it to his advantage.

"Jamie is so good at taking a situation that is a negative or a death blow to a campaign ... and spinning it back against the other side," he said.

Ladin was coy about details for a second season of the show and if Jamie would be around for that, but is excited for that possibility.

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How do you scare a bunch of vampires?

► Take them to Georgia ► Vampire Diaries star says cast was spooked by eerie events during plantation shoot

Fans may get a chill watching the CW's Vampire Diaries, but star Nina Dobrev says the cast and crew were the ones spooked while filming at the Gaither Plantation in Covington, Ga.

Dobrev says several creepy, unexplained events took place during the recent shoot, including a piano playing apparently on its own and lights going on and off by themselves.

The actress, who plays Elena and Katherine in the drama, says everyone had a collective "weird feeling" at the site even though "nobody could pinpoint" why.

Jason Hawes, lead investigator of the Syfy channel's Ghost Hunters, says during a 2009 visit to the plantation his team found compelling evidence of paranormal activity.

Vampire Diaries airs Thursdays at 8 p.m. ET.

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► Nina Dobrev



► Actor Eric Ladin stars in The Killing.

The Voice: Has Idol met its match?

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The Voice, the Mark Burnett-produced singing competition that made its debut this week, brought in 11.8 million U.S. viewers, making it the top-rated broadcast series premiere since Undercover Boss hit CBS after last year's Super Bowl.

It even bested stalwart draws Glee and Dancing with the Stars.

The reality competition stars judges Christina Aguilera, Cee Lo Green, Adam Levine and Blake Shelton, who heard auditioning singers sight unseen.

If a judge liked what he heard, he turned his chair to face the music — er, um, the contestant, all of whom we're assuming will undergo the requisite reality show makeovers somewhere down the line.

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Doctor 'needs to be punished': Jackson

► Michael's mom has 'mixed emotions' about upcoming trial ► Takes solace in flowers

Katherine Jackson isn't looking forward to the upcoming trial of the doctor charged in connection with her son's death.

She says the pain of his loss nearly two years ago remains and the potential punishment for the physician doesn't seem like it's nearly enough.

The matriarch of one of music's most famous families isn't planning any special preparations for the daily trek to a downtown Los Angeles courtroom where the trial begins May 9, but she says she'll rely on her faith to carry her through.

"I have mixed emotions," she told The Associ-

Mother again

► Michael's death at age 50 has thrust Katherine Jackson back into the role of mother. She is the guardian and caretaker of the singer's three children, who range in ages from 9 to 14.

ated Press in an interview this week. "Sometimes I think why have a trial if ... the maximum sentence is only four years."

She has not spoken to Dr. Conrad Murray, who has pleaded not guilty to involuntary manslaughter, although she has seen him often from her seat at pre-

trial hearings in the case.

"I'll be there, but it just hurts me because my son is gone and for forever and this man is trying to get away and get off," she said. "He needs to be punished."

Katherine Jackson spoke at her new hilltop house in Calabasas, a community 10 miles west of the Jackson's longtime San Fernando Valley home, which is being renovated.

White roses have been planted to be seen when looking out the back windows into the valley below, and flower beds line the walkways and the outside of the house — one of the requests Jackson said she made for the property

when she arrived.

Flowers have always been a source of joy for the soft-spoken woman in her 80s. She recently extended her floral passion beyond her own garden, consulting on and endorsing a line of floral arrangements being sold online. Jackson said she hopes the venture will help others show their love for one another.

"I think flowers speak a thousand words," she said with a smile. The retailer, senderflowers.com, is hoping the \$49-and-up arrangements with names such as Precious, Field of Love and Dynasty will be a hit for Mother's Day.

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► Katherine Jackson is shown in this January photo entering the Los Angeles County courthouse for the arraignment of Dr. Conrad Murray, who was charged with involuntary manslaughter in the death of Michael Jackson.



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More than a pretty face

▶ Rob Lowe's new book, *Stories I Only Tell My Friends*, is turning heads



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You can't tell by looking at his nearly flawless mug, but Rob Lowe has

crammed a lot of living in his 47 years. In his surprisingly candid, smart new memoir, *Stories I Only Tell My Friends*, Lowe recounts what it took to be in the public eye for more than

30 years.

From the Brat Pack, to the sex tape, rehab, the epic film flops, and newfound fame with *The West Wing* and *Parks and Recreation*, Lowe proves that

he's more than a pretty face — he's a survivor (and a pretty deft writer.)

Isn't 47 too young to be writing a memoir?

I looked at (this process of



▶ Rob Lowe says he'd still be a great actor if he wasn't good looking.

writing) as a reader. I'm an avid reader of autobiographies. I love them. And I especially love them when they're still in the middle of the action because it feels vital and relevant. But the real reason I'm writing it now is because my children are both around the same age I was when I became famous. When I see them, I see myself and it brings up a lot.

Is there anything you wanted to clear up?

No! There's that whole cottage industry of score settling or the big reveal. I'm not into those things. I hate those books. I hate them. (Laughs). I sound like an old man.

Your teenage years in California sounds almost made up — especially how you just fell into running around with Charlie Sheen, Emilio Estevez, Chris and Sean Penn before

any of you were famous.

The mid '70s and mid '80s was an extraordinary time in Malibu — I almost have survivor's guilt about it. When I run into Sean Penn now, after we do our pleasantries, it invariably turns to, "Dude, did you remember that guy? Am I crazy or did this happen?" We sort of share notes. You can't believe what went on.

If you were incredibly ugly instead of incredibly handsome, do you think you'd still be an actor?

(Laughs). Absolutely. The only reason I wanted to be an actor was that I responded to the process of acting. It's that whole clichéd thing of the relationship between the actor and the audience. It doesn't have anything to do with how I look. When I started acting, I didn't even know how I looked.

Rob Lowe



Stories I Only Tell My Friends is sure to open some eyes about Rob Lowe.

▶ **Best section** *The Outsiders* section of the book — and it is substantive — is perhaps the most captivating. Lowe describes not only the grueling casting process — "a public cattle call with every important, young working actor in the universe" — but also

the shooting of the film. The hours were demanding, the work was exhausting and staying in character was encouraged. *The Socials* and *The Greasers* lived on separate floors of the hotel, with the former in suites with free room service and the latter sharing modest rooms with twin beds.

▶ **What's Tai Chi?** On the set of the 1983 film *The Outsiders*, director Francis Ford Coppola tells the young cast that they're going to begin their days with a half-hour of tai chi. "I don't know what tai chi is," Lowe writes. "I look around for a delivery man. Maybe it's some sort of Asian take-out — which would be great because I'm starving."

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Scandals and stitches

► 5 things to know about baseball

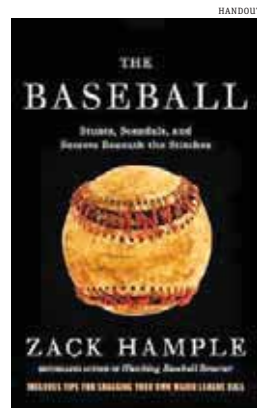
The baseball. What is it about the little circular object that drives men to try to hit it every spring? In his insightful and entertaining book, *The Baseball: Stunts, Scandals, and Secrets Beneath the Stitches*, author Zack Hample shares the secrets behind everyone's favourite stitched orb.

1 Throughout the major and minor leagues, every game-used ball gets rubbed with mud to reduce the slickness and glare. The mud comes from a top-secret location off a tributary of the Delaware River in southern New Jersey. It then gets mixed with special ingredients and sells for \$33 US a pound.

2 Several players have attempted to catch baseballs dropped from great heights. In 1926 Babe Ruth snagged one that was tossed from an airplane flying 250 feet above an army aviation field. The record belongs to Cubs Hall of Fame catcher Gabby Hartnett, who in 1930 grabbed a ball that was dropped from a blimp 800 feet high.

3 Baseballs used to be so scarce that one ball had to last for the entire game, and the winning team got to keep it.

Fans who caught foul balls were expected to return them, and until 1886, if a ball went missing, the game was delayed while the players went looking for it.



4 Charlie Sheen really likes baseballs. In 1992, he paid \$93,500 US for the famous ball that trickled through Bill Buckner's legs in the 1986 World Series. (At the time, that was the most that anyone had ever spent on a baseball.) Four years later, Sheen purchased the entire left field pavilion at an Angels game — 2,615 seats in all — to increase his odds of snagging a home run ball. It didn't work, and he went home empty-handed.

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Lindsay Lohan: Acting teacher

► Will teach homeless women as part of her court-ordered community service

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► Lindsay Lohan

Lindsay Lohan may end up spending much of her community service hours teaching acting to homeless women, according to TMZ.

The troubled starlet is set to work at L.A.'s Downtown Women's Center, which also happens to run a theatre workshop.

A spokesperson for the centre said the staff was "extremely interested in having Lindsay contribute her talents when she kicks off her 360 hours of community service this week."

And according to sources, Lohan herself is up for the idea, believing the workshop would be "a perfect fit for her community service."

● METRO

Has Donald trumped himself?

Donald Trump may be proud of himself for being a vocal part of getting Barack Obama to produce his birth certificate, but the stunt may actually be bad for the Apprentice boss.

"Attacking stars like Rosie O'Donnell or Martha Stewart is one thing, but to go after the

president is taking Donald down a path that's going to do long term damage to his brand," a TV insider tells Popeater.

"For a guy with a show on NBC in prime time that needs celebrities to sign up in order for it to be a success, this is potential suicide." ● METRO



► Donald Trump

Jessica sets the wedding date



► Jessica Simpson

revealed during an interview with Us Weekly.

"I'm still trying to figure out what to wear! I don't know if I want the big boom, or the curvy thing, but it will be something beautiful," Simpson says. "I kind of have a couple ideas in my head, and I have a date; I'm really excited!"

The singer is also trying to not worry too much about getting into shape for the wedding: "No exercise is fun! I am going to dance around my bedroom and hopefully lose some weight."

● METRO

Doing his time in LA

British actor Alex Pettyfer hasn't been having the best time in Los Angeles.

"I think it's this insidious pool where nearly everyone lives in fear. Geographically it's fantastic, but socially it's disgusting," he tells Vman magazine about life in Hollywood.

"I wish I had some interesting stories about living in L.A., but mostly I just do my work and then go home. Being an actor is like being in prison."

"You go, you serve your time, you try and replicate Johnny Depp's career and then you move to Paris."

● METRO

Not such a great idea

ROMANTIC. Justin Timberlake doesn't believe the idea that's the basis for his next movie, Friends with Benefits, is such a smart one. "It's a really good idea until it becomes a bad idea. It probably becomes a bad idea really fast," Tim-



Celebrity tweets



"Have found Donald Trump's birth certificate. He was born in Hawaii, but before it was a state. This is getting complicated." @SteveMartinToGo



"Our prime purpose in this life is to help others. And if you can't help them, at least don't hurt them." @ricky_martin



"I just saw the guest list and the Royal Wedding will be jam-packed with European nobility. It has more blue blood than a Smurf disaster film" @Joan_Rivers



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Remembering how stressful my wedding planning was, I can't imagine what it's like organizing the wedding of the century.

While you'd think it would have been enough to drive Will and Kate to drink, rumour has it "official" festivities are going to be lower alcohol affairs.

I'm not sure if they were concerned about some Harry-led shenanigans or if guests holding pints of ale at their reception wouldn't appear royal enough.

Though my sources at the family-owned champagne house Pol Roger would neither confirm nor deny their participation, word has it that the Pol Roger Réserve Non-Vintage (\$55.95 - \$62.99) will be the exclusive bubbly.

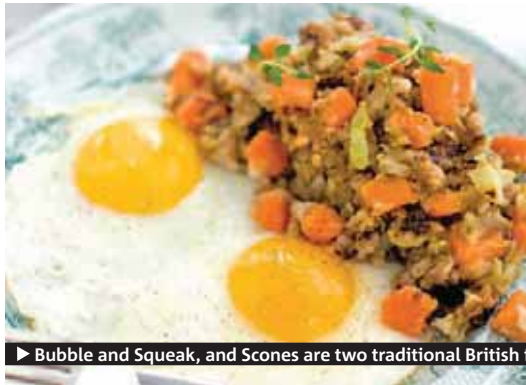
Floral, lightly nutty and sophisticatedly citrusy the chocie of Pol Roger makes sense because it was Winston Churchill's tipple of choice. Prince William seems to get his sense of the future by reflecting on the past and Pol Roger is a perfect fit.

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Eat like the royals

Wondering what Will and Kate will eat on their first day as husband and wife? Bubble and Squeak, and Scones are some British favourites



Bubble and Squeak, and Scones are two traditional British foods.



BOTH PHOTOS: THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ MATTHEW MEAD

Traditionally, British cuisine means unfussy dishes made with local ingredients and simple sauces. Although it's recently expanded its reaches, some traditions still stand — like Bubble and Squeak for breakfast or afternoon tea and scones.

Bubble and Squeak

Named for the sound it makes while it's cooking, Bubble and Squeak is a breakfast hash of sorts designed to use leftovers from the previous nights' boiled dinners.

If you don't have leftover veggies, simply boil them until tender.

Preparation:

- 1 In non-stick skillet cook sausage over medium-high heat for 6 to 8 minutes or until well browned. Using slotted spoon, remove meat from pan and reserve.

- 2 Add onion to skillet and cook 6 or until translucent and beginning to brown. Add potatoes, cabbage and carrots, and reserved sausage meat. Mix and cook 15 minutes or until well browned, scraping the bottom of the pan occasionally and flipping the mixture over. Season with salt and pepper.

Ingredients:

- 1 lb (500 g) ground sausage meat
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 baking potatoes, peeled, cooked and mashed
- 1 cup (250 mL) shredded, cooked cabbage
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) chopped cooked carrots
- Salt and pepper

Fruit and Chocolate Scones

Classic to afternoon teas, scones are commonly

baked plain or studded with currants, then accompanied with jam and clotted cream, a thick, creamy spread. You can make your version with any dried fruit, such as blueberries, or apricots. You also can add chocolate chips.

Preparation:

- 1 In large bowl, whisk together flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Add melted butter and stir until well distributed. Add cream, sour cream and vanilla. Mix until almost combined, then add fruit and nuts and mix until just combined.

- 2 Turn dough out onto a floured surface. Pat dough into a circle about 3/4 inch (2 cm) thick and 10 inches (25 cm) round. Cut into 8 wedges and transfer to parchment paper lined baking sheet. Refrigerate until well chilled.

ate until well chilled.

- 3 Sprinkle tops of the scones with the coarse sugar, if using. Bake in 400 F (200 C) oven for 20 to 25 minutes. Let cool before serving. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ RECIPES BY ALISON LADMAN**

Ingredients:

- 2 3/4 cups (675 mL) all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) granulated sugar
- 4 tsp (20 mL) baking powder
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) salt
- 10 tbsps (150 mL) butter, melted
- 1 cup (250 mL) 35% whipping cream
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sour cream
- 1 tsp (5 mL) vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) dried fruit, nuts and/or chocolate chips
- Coarse sugar (optional)

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Portion Control



Here are some tips to ensure you are eating proper portion sizes.

- Eat smaller meals throughout the day.
- Stay away from high glycaemic foods like sugar. They leave you wanting more.
- When eating out, cut the plate of food in half. Eat half, take the rest to go. **NEWS CANADA**



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THEIR PARENTS HELP PAY FOR THE WEDDING

Contrary to some claims in the media, British taxpayers are not paying for the wedding of the century. The state will be covering the hefty security expenses, but the royals have also agreed to help defray those costs. And while the final tally of who paid for what will never be made public, royal insiders and government officials have indicated that the Queen will pick up the tab for the ceremony and afternoon reception at Buckingham Palace, while Prince Charles will cover the private dinner and dance later in the evening. Kate's self-made millionaire parents are expected to buy their daughter's dress and possibly pay for the honeymoon, among other parts of the big day. This is in sharp contrast to other "common" royal brides, including Sarah Ferguson and Prince Edward's wife, Sophie, whose families reportedly forked over zilch for their big days.

And what of this royal budget? Unlike recent celeb weddings, which have topped seven figures (we're talking to you \$3.5-million bride Chelsea Clinton!), Prince William and Kate's nuptials—minus the cost of security—will likely total six figures. While that seems too rich for our common blood, consider the mind-boggling budgets of these unions: \$1.5 million for Catherine Zeta-Jones & Michael Douglas, \$2 million for Tom Cruise & Katie Holmes, \$3.5 million for Liza Minnelli & David Gest. And those weddings weren't even broadcast to an expected TV audience of 2.5 billion!

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THEY WON'T PLAY FAVORITES WITH THEIR KIDS

So, you want to rule England? The prerequisites are pretty clear: You must belong to the Church of England, you can't marry a Catholic, and you must be the first-born son of the current King or Queen—or daughter, but only if no legitimate boys happen to come along subsequently.

Leave it to Prince William and Kate to turn these 300-year-old tenants on their heads! Under current rules, if Prince William and Kate have a girl first, she doesn't automatically become the next Queen of England—if they then have a son, he overtakes his older sis in the line of succession.

But the couple has reportedly initiated steps to prevent such favoritism in their future family. However, it'll require more than just a wave of the Queen's royal scepter. Changing the line of succession must be ratified by the British Parliament—along with all 16 Commonwealth nations where the Queen is officially head of state, such as Canada and Australia.

THEY WASH THEIR OWN DIRTY SOCKS

Shortly after announcing their engagement, Prince Will and Kate made another surprising proclamation: After the wedding, the newlyweds will return home to their Welsh love nest as Will finishes his RAF tour, but without any servants. No servants?! Tsk, tsk. On weekends, they'll head back to London. Royal insiders are predicting they'll call Kensington Palace home, sweet home in the city. Prince William's childhood home, and Diana's residence after her split from Charles, holds a special place in his heart. Though we hear that Kate has her eye not on Di's former digs in the palace, but on Princess Margaret's old apartment within Kensington.

"Kate is the first person who truly understands what it's like to live a normal life. They will be a very contemporary king and queen," says royal scribe Christopher Andersen. "Their courtship and plans for the monarchy," he adds, "are something we've never quite seen before."

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**NO. 1 CAPITALS
VERSUS NO. 5 BOLTS**
GAME 1: Friday, 5 p.m., TSN
SEASON SERIES: Capitals
4-1-1

CAPITALS WIN IF ...

... they continue their adherence to a decent defensive game. They allowed just eight goals against while taking out the Rangers in five games in the first round.

... Alexander Ovechkin continues to light it up offensively. He had six points, including three goals, in those five games against New York.

LIGHTNING WIN IF ...

... goaltender Dwayne Roloson, 41, continues to defy logic with his youthful acrobatics. He allowed just four goals in Tampa's final three wins over Pittsburgh.

**NO. 2. FLYERS VERSUS
NO. 3 BRUINS**

GAME 1: Saturday, 1 p.m., CBC
SEASON SERIES: Bruins 3-0-1
FLYERS WIN IF ...

... they can settle on one of their three rotating goalies — likely Brian Boucher to start — and he can be adequate enough to hold the spot.

... Chris Pronger, who had surgery in mid-March to fix a broken hand, heals to the point where he can be more than just a presence.

BRUINS WIN IF ...

... they channel their residual frustration from last spring when the Flyers embarrassed them, rallying from three games down to win their second-round play-off series.

The road to glory

► A look at what teams will need to do to get past the second round of the NHL playoffs

JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS



► Nashville's Mike Fisher tumbles over Vancouver's Dan Hamhuis Thursday as the second round of playoffs gets underway. The Canucks won 1-0.

**NO. 1 CANUCKS
VERSUS NO. 5 PREDS**

GAME 2: Saturday, 7 p.m., CBC

SEASON SERIES: Tied, two wins each

CANUCKS WIN IF ...

... Roberto Luongo shows he can confidently stop pucks in the post-season.

... Ryan Kesler shows more offensively. He had zero goals against the Blackhawks in seven games.

PREDATORS WIN IF ...

... they get to Luongo. Nashville's offence isn't as skilled as Chicago's but its hard work will produce enough chances to challenge the Canucks netminder.

**NO. 2 SHARKS VERSUS
NO. 3 RED WINGS**

GAME 1: Friday, 8 p.m., TSN

SEASON SERIES: Sharks 3-1-0

SHARKS WIN IF ...

... Dan Boyle can keep up the pace of playing 27 minutes a game.

... their explosive power play can take advantage of Wings' mediocre penalty killing.

... Goalie Antti Niemi gets back on track. He was pulled twice in the first round and posted a head-shaking .863 save percentage and 3.99 goals-against average.

RED WINGS WIN IF ...

... they take full advantage of a lengthy break with old guys rested and healed without getting rusty.

... Pavel Datsyuk and Henrik Zetterberg play like Datsyuk and Zetterberg.

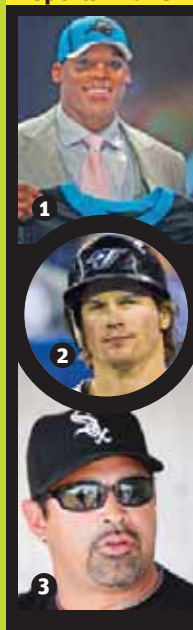
... Jimmy Howard continues strong play in net.

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Sports in brief



Chan smashes records en route to world title

MISHA IAPARIDZE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



► Patrick Chan celebrates on Thursday.

Canada's Patrick Chan has claimed his first world figure skating title and rewritten the sport's record book in the process.

The 20-year-old from Toronto swept all three world records, scoring 187.96 points for his long program for 280.98 points overall. Those marks came a day after he topped the previous world mark for the short program that gave him a virtually insurmountable lead.

Skating to music from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera, Chan landed two quadruple jumps in the opening minutes, and then was

nearly flawless the rest of the way.

Takahiko Kozuka of Japan scored 258.41 to take the silver, while 17-year-old crowd favourite Artur Gachinski of Russia won the bronze with 241.86.

Japan's Daisuke Takahashi held the previous world records for overall score (264.41) and long program (175.84), set at the 2008 Four Continents championships.

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Sports in brief

Rays' Zobrist sets RBI record

MLB. Ben Zobrist set a Tampa Bay record with eight RBIs, on a home run and two doubles Thursday as the Rays routed the Minnesota Twins 15-3. He went 4-for-6 and scored twice. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Will Shaq be back vs. Heat?

NBA. Boston coach Doc Rivers said Shaquille O'Neal will "hopefully" join the team Friday for its final workout before Game 1 against the Miami Heat Sunday. He has played only five minutes

29 seconds since Feb. 1 due to right calf and Achilles tendon problems. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Daniel Sedin up for Hart

NHL. Vancouver Canucks left-winger Daniel Sedin will go for an unprecedented family double at the NHL awards banquet June 22.

He's up for the Hart Trophy along with right-winger Corey Perry of the Anaheim Ducks and Tampa Bay Lightning right-winger Martin St. Louis.

Sedin's twin brother and linemate Henrik Sedin won the MVP award last season. They could become the first brother tandem to win the Hart in consecutive years.

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1 The Carolina Panthers selected Auburn quarterback Cam Newton with the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft.

2 The Toronto Blue Jays sent outfielder Travis Snider to triple-A Las Vegas.

3 MLB is looking into rules White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen may have violated in using Twitter to make derogatory comments about an umpire. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



► Georges St-Pierre thwarts a simulated knife attack while working out in the octagon Thursday in Toronto.

St-Pierre ready for anything in cage

► 'I consider Jake Shields like a champion,' GSP says of UFC 129 opponent

It appears UFC welterweight champion Georges (GSP) St-Pierre will have no problem if challenger Jake Shields enters the cage with a knife Saturday night.

Looking to have a little fun, the 29-year-old from Montreal showed off his self-defence techniques at a media workout Thursday.

His coach, Firas Zahabi, wearing a hoodie and sunglasses, simulated a knife attack on the champion in the cage. St-Pierre disarmed him with a few well-placed punches and kicks, before putting him down on the mat.

"It was fun. It was just

to amuse the crowd," a smiling St-Pierre told reporters afterwards.

He also showed off his fighting background with a karate kata series of moves.

St-Pierre (21-2) and Shields (26-4-1) will square off Saturday night before 55,000 at Toronto's Rogers Centre at UFC 129.

Shields, who has only fought once in the UFC, is on a 15-fight winning streak dating back to 2005.

St-Pierre has won his last eight and hasn't lost a round since August 2007.

"We're both dealing with issues," said the 32-year-old Shields. "I'm dealing with being in hostile

territory but he's dealing with just tremendous amounts of pressure right now, so I think it kind of evens out."

It's a matchup St-Pierre has been looking forward to for a long time.

"I don't dislike Jake. He's one of the fighters I admire the most, as a matter of fact. He's one of the guys that I've wanted to fight for a long time," he said. "As a real champion, I want to fight the best guy ... He's had five titles in different organizations, in different weight classes, which I have never done before. And I want to be the one to stop Jake Shields." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

UFC 129 card

The main card will air exclusively on pay-per-view at 7 p.m. Saturday. Spike TV will air two preliminary fights at 6 p.m. for free.

- **CDN** Mark Bocek (9-3) vs. Ben Henderson (12-2)
- Randy Couture (19-10) vs. Lyoto Machida (16-2)
- Jason Brilz (18-3) vs. Vladimir Matyushenko (25-5)
- **Featherweight championship**
Jose Aldo (18-1) vs. **CDN** Mark Hominick (19-8)
- **Welterweight championship**
CDN Georges St-Pierre (21-2) vs. Jake Shields (26-4)

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Tampa Bay at Washington, 7 p.m.

Sunday's game

Tampa Bay at Washington, 7 p.m.

Tuesday's game

Washington at Tampa Bay, TBA

Wednesday, May 4

Washington at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 7

x-Tampa Bay at Washington, 12:30 p.m.

Monday, May 9

x-Washington at Tampa Bay, TBA

Wednesday, May 11

x-Tampa Bay at Washington, TBA

PHILADELPHIA VS. BOSTON

Tomorrow's game

Boston at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.

Monday's game

Boston at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4

Philadelphia at Boston, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 6

Philadelphia at Boston, 8 p.m.

Sunday, May 8

x-Boston at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10

x-Philadelphia at Boston, TBA

Thursday, May 12

x-Boston at Philadelphia, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

VANCOUVER VS. NASHVILLE

(Vancouver leads 1-0)

Last night's result

Vancouver 1 Nashville 0

Tomorrow's game

Nashville at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Tuesday's game

Vancouver at Nashville, 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 5

Vancouver at Nashville, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 7

x-Nashville at Vancouver, 8 p.m.

Monday, May 9

x-Vancouver at Nashville, TBA

Wednesday, May 11

x-Nashville at Vancouver, TBA

SAN JOSE VS. DETROIT

Tonight's game

Detroit at San Jose, 10 p.m.

Sunday's game

Detroit at San Jose, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4

San Jose at Detroit, 8 p.m.

Friday, May 6

San Jose at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 8

x-Detroit at San Jose, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10

x-San Jose at Detroit, TBA

Thursday, May 12

x-Detroit at San Jose, TBA

x — if necessary.

CANUCKS 1, PREDATORS 0

First Period — No Scoring.

Penalties — Samuelsson Vcr (hooking) 4:08,

Hornqvist Nash (high-sticking) 6:35, Tootoo

Nash (cross-checking) 16:16, Ehrhoff Vcr

(hooking) 19:28.

Second Period

1. Vancouver, Higgins 20 (Lapierre, Bieksa) 12:14

Penalties — Hornqvist Nash (roughing) 0:44,

Sullivan Nash (slashing) 3:42, Vancouver

bench (too many men; served by Torres) 7:26,

Ballard Vcr (clipping) 16:35.

Third Period — No Scoring.

Penalties — Hornqvist Nash (tripping) 3:53,

Ballard Vcr (tripping) 14:38.

Shots

Nashville 5 6 9 —20

Vancouver 16 10 4 —30

Goal — Nashville: Rinne (L,4-3); Vancouver:

Luongo (W,5-3). Power plays (goals-chances):

— Nashville: 0-5; Vancouver: 0-5.

Referees — Eric Furlatt, Marc Joannette.

Linesmen — Shane Heyer, Jonny Murray.

Att. — 18,860 at Vancouver.

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Today's games

At Bratislava

Germany vs. Russia, 10:15 a.m.

Slovakia vs. Slovenia, 2:15 p.m.

At Kosice

Switzerland vs. France, 10:15 a.m.

Belarus vs. Canada, 2:15 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

At Bratislava

Finland vs. Denmark, 10:15 a.m.

Czech Republic vs. Latvia, 2:15 p.m.

At Kosice

U.S. vs. Austria, 10:15 a.m.

Norway vs. Sweden, 2:15 p.m.

FIGURE SKATING

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Moscow

Men's Free Skating

1. Patrick Chan, Toronto, 187.96 points; 2.

Takahiko Kozuka, Japan, 180.79; 3. Artur

Gachinski, Russia, 163.52; 21. Kevin Reynolds,

Coquitlam, B.C., 122.87; 24. Joey Russell,

Labrador City, N.L., 107.04.

Overall Standings

1. Patrick Chan, Toronto, 280.98 points; 2.

Takahiko Kozuka, Japan, 248.41; 3. Artur

Gachinski, Russia, 241.86; 20. Kevin Reynolds,

Coquitlam, B.C., 187.23; 24. Joey Russell,

Labrador City, N.L., 168.73.

Pairs Free Program

1. Aliona Savchenko and Robin Szolkowy, Ger-

many, 144.87 points; 2. Tatiana Volosozhar

and Maxim Trankov, Russia, 140.38; 3. Pang

Qing and Tong Jian, China, 130.12; 7. Meagan

Duhamel, Lively, Ont., and Eric Radford, Toron-

to, 114.20; 8. Kirsten Moore-Towers and Dylan

Moscovitch, Waterloo, Ont., 106.31.

Overall Standings

1. Aliona Savchenko and Robin Szolkowy, Ger.,

217.85 pts; 2. Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim

Trankov, Rus., 210.73; 3. Pang Qing and Tong

Jian, Chi., 204.12; 7. Meagan Duhamel, Lively,

Ont., and Eric Radford, Toronto, 173.03; 8.

Kirsten Moore-Towers and Dylan Moscovitch,

Waterloo, Ont., 163.17

St. Louis, TB	4	4	8
Perry, Ana	2	6	8
Briere, Pha	6	1	7
Selanne, Ana	6	1	7
D.Sedin, Vcr	5	2	7
Clowe, SJ	4	3	7
P.Bergeron, Bos	2	5	7
Gagne, TB	2	5	7
Downie, Buf	1	6	7
Gagnani, Buf	1	6	7
S.Kovru, Ana	1	6	7
Keith, Chi	4	2	6
Burrows, Vcr	3	3	6
Fisher, Nash	3	3	6
Kelly, Bos	3	3	6
Ovechkin, Wash	3	3	6
Bolland, Chi	2	4	6
Datsyuk, Det	2	4	6
Getzlaf, Ana	2	4	6
Hossa, Chi	2	4	6
Lecavalier, TB	2	4	6
P.Kane, Chi	1	5	6
Myers, Buf	1	5	6
Vanek, Buf	5	0	5
Doan, Phx	3	2	5
Clifford, LA	3	2	5
Gionta, Mtl	3	2	5

TENNIS

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ESTORIL OPEN

At Oeiras, Portugal

Men's Singles — Second Round

Fernando Verdasco (2), Spain, def. Frederico

Gil, Portugal, 6-1, 7-6 (5).

Gilles Simon (4), France, def. Carlos Berlocq,

Argentina, 6-2, 6-1.

Milos Raonic (5), Thornhill, Ont., def. Joao

Sousa, Portugal, 6-3, 6-3.

Kevin Anderson (7), South Africa, def. Victor

Hanesuc, Romania, 6-4, 6-2.

Women's Singles — Quarter-finals

Kristina Barrois, Germany, def. Alisa Kley-

banova (1), Russia, 6-4, 6-2.

Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Jarmila Gaj-

dosova (2), Australia, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, def. Klara

Zakopalova (3), Czech Republic, 6-3, 7-5.

Johanna Larsson, Sweden, def. Anastasia

Kudryavtseva, Russia, 6-2, 7-5.

ATP

BMW OPEN

At Munich

Singles — Second Round

Florian Mayer (5), Germany, def. Teymuraz

Gabashvili, Russia, 6-4, 7-6 (1).

Marin Cilic (3), Croatia, def. Horacio Zeballos,

Argentina, 6-3, 7-6 (7).

Nikolay Davydenko (7), Russia, def. Julian

Reister, Germany, 3-6, 7-6 (5), 6-1.

Philipp Kohlschreiber (8), Germany, def. Denis

Gremelmayr, Germany, 6-3, 6-3.

Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, def. Dustin

Brown, Germany, 7-6 (6), 6-7 (5), 6-3.

SERBIA OPEN

At Belgrade, Serbia

Singles — Second Round

Somdev Devvarman, India, def. Guillermo

Garcia-Lopez (3), Spain, 7-6 (6), 2-6, 7-6 (8).

Filippo Volandri, Italy, def. Illya Marchenko,

Ukraine, 6-3, 1-6, 6-3.

Janko Tipsarevic (7), Serbia, def. Mischa

Zverev, Germany, 6-2, 6-0.

Marcel Granollers, Spain, def. Viktor Troicki

(2), Serbia, 6-2, 6-3.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	14	8	.636	—
Tampa Bay	14	11	.560	1½
Toronto	12	13	.480	3½
Boston	11	13	.458	4
Baltimore	10	13	.435	4½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	16	8	.667	—
Kansas City	12	13	.480	4½
Detroit	12	13	.480	4½
Chicago	10	16	.385	7
Minnesota	9	15	.375	7

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	15	10	.600	—
Los Angeles	14	11	.560	1
Oakland	12	13	.480	3
Seattle	11	15	.423	4½

Yesterday's results

Toronto 5 Texas 2

Seattle 7 Detroit 2

Tampa Bay 15-6 Minnesota 3-1

Cleveland 8 Kansas City 2

Boston 6 Baltimore 2

N.Y. Yankees 12 Chicago White Sox 3

Wednesday's results

Texas 7 Toronto 6

Baltimore 5 Boston 4

Seattle 10 Detroit 1

Tampa Bay 8 Minnesota 2

Oakland 2 L.A. Angels 1 (10 innings)

Cleveland 7 Kansas City 2

N.Y. Yankees 3 Chicago White Sox 1

Today's games

All times Eastern

Detroit (Scherzer 4-0) at Cleveland (J.Gomez

0-1), 7:05 p.m.

Toronto (R.Romero 1-3) at N.Y. Yankees

(F.Garcia 1-0), 7:05 p.m.

L.A. Angels (E.Santana 0-3) at Tampa Bay

(Price 3-2), 7:10 p.m.

Seattle (Vargas 0-2) at Boston (Matsuzaka

2-2), 7:10 p.m.

Baltimore (Arrieta 2-1) at Chicago White Sox

(Danks 0-3), 8:10 p.m.

Minnesota (S.Baker 1-2) at Kansas City

(Chen 3-1), 8:10 p.m.

Texas (C.Wilson 3-0) at Oakland (Cahill 3-0),

10:05 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.

Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 4:05 p.m.

Detroit at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.

Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.

Minnesota at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.

Seattle at Boston, 7:10 p.m.

LACROSSE

NLL PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

DIVISIONAL SEMI-FINALS

EAST DIVISION

Tomorrow's game

Boston at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's game

Rochester at Toronto, 3:30 p.m.

WEST DIVISION

Tomorrow's games

Colorado at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.

Washington at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

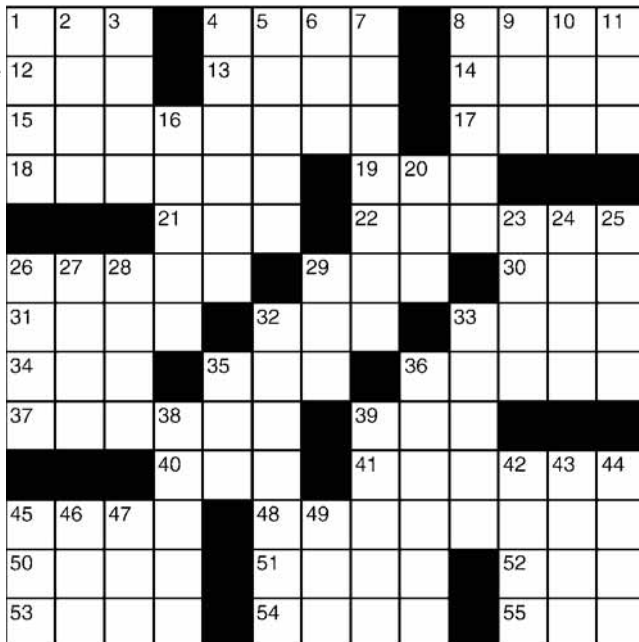
Crossword

Across

- 1 "Six-pack" muscles
4 Somewhere out there
8 Snare
12 A Gershwin brother
13 Albacore, e.g.
14 Apiece
15 Reverie
17 Tool storage structure
18 Bombard
19 Fore's opposite
21 Greek consonants
22 Masseur's workplace
26 Seraglio group
29 April payment
30 Joan of —
31 Enrages
32 X rating?
33 Fedora feature
34 Conger or moray
35 Crafty one
36 High-quality
37 Fluorescent trademark
39 "Eureka!"
40 "— Town"

Down

- 1 Verdi opera
2 Lingerie buys
3 Puts into words

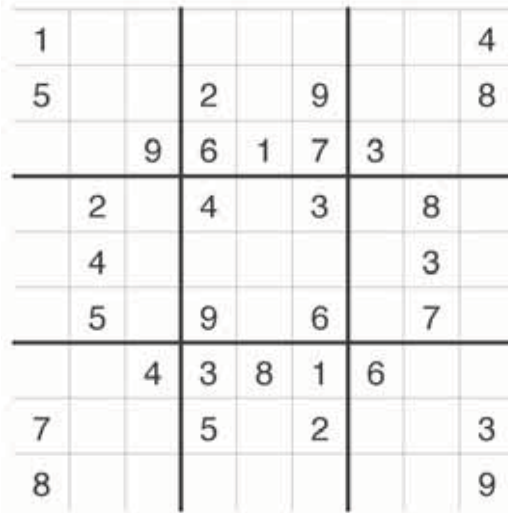


- 4 Hotel lobby, perhaps
5 Gas, oil, etc.
6 Literary collection
7 Fast time
8 Irritable
9 "Go, team!"
10 Dogfight participant
11 Advanced deg.
16 Hamlet's countrymen
20 Transmit, in a way
23 Ganges attire
24 Prudish
25 Wile E.'s supplier
26 Wasted no time
27 Neighborhood
- 28 Hinge (on)
29 Cowboy nickname
32 As specified
33 Impudent
35 Winter ailment
36 Aspects
38 Gaggle member
39 Bottomless pit
42 Thailand, once
43 "All —"
44 Pack cargo
45 Vehicle with sliding doors
46 Id counterpart
47 Nugent of rock
49 "I'll take that as —"

► Yesterday's answer



Sudoku



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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►



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LOVE G

*Dear honey bunny,
I know that you always do sudoku and other stuff in Metro, and I wanted you to know that im really happy that savage introduced us last year. love you lots <3*

FROM YOUR OTHER HALF

*Nadia-muffin *points to eye *points to heart
points to you Happy 11 months baby YOUR BUBBIE

A look at the weather

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Min 1° Max 8°	Min -4° Max 6°	Min -1° Max 13°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist

"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta." WEEKDAYS 6AM



Today's horoscope

♈ **Aries** March 21-April 20 Resist the urge to start a fight today. There's no point.
♉ **Taurus** April 21-May 21 You are bullish right now, but keep a sense of perspective about what is and is not possible.
♊ **Gemini** May 22-June 21 An issue you thought was done will return. Now, you must deal with it once and for all.
♋ **Cancer** June 22-July 22 No matter what losses you have suffered of late, your attitude is still positive. You're learning.

♌ **Leo** July 23-Aug. 23 Don't go against the rules today. You might get noticed by people whose gaze is best avoided!
♍ **Virgo** Aug. 24-Sept. 22 Don't take good luck for granted because it could disappear.
♎ **Libra** Sept. 23-Oct. 23 What looks like bad news early in the day will turn out to be good news later in the day.
♏ **Scorpio** Oct. 24-Nov. 22 A partnership issue will come to ahead. It will be resolved so don't call it quits just yet.

For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

♐ **Sagittarius** Nov. 23-Dec. 21 If you worry less, you may actually do better financially.
♑ **Capricorn** Dec. 22-Jan. 20 If something didn't work out as planned, it doesn't mean you're on the wrong track.
♒ **Aquarius** Jan. 21-Feb. 18 If little things annoy you, maybe you need to slow down and focus on what matters.
♓ **Pisces** Feb. 19-March 20. If there are aspects of your life that you don't like, change them today. ● SALLY BROMPTON

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